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At a meeting of the General Assembly of the Territory of Arkansas, begun and held at Monday the first day of October in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight hundred and Thirty Seven, at the State House in the Town of Little Rock, in the County of Pulaski,

The following Members of the Legislative Council, appeared, were qualified and took their seats, viz

From the County of Hempstead, D. T. Witter.
From the County of Arkansas, Terrence Farrelly.
From the County of Olicot; John Weir.
From the County of Crittenden; George C. Barfield.
From the County of Phillips; Edwin T. Clark.
From the County of Pulaski Edmund Hogan.
From the County of Conway, Amos Kuykendall.
From the County of Crawford, John Dilliard.
From the County of Independence, David Litchfield.
From the County of Lawrence William Humphreys
From the County of Izard, Jacob Wolf.
From the County of Miller, John H. Fowler.
From the County of Clark, Isaac Pennington.

A quorum of Members being present Allen N. Oakley the former Secretary of the Council was called to the Chair, and having called the Members to order they proceeded to ballot for a President.

On counting the ballots the following was found to be the result, For Terrence Farrelly 6 votes For Edmund Hogan 5 votes, For Isaac Pennington 1 vote For D. T. Witter 1 vote. Whereupon there being no choice the Council proceeded to a second ballot, the result as follows for Edmund Hogan 5 votes For Terrence Farrelly 4 votes for D. T. Witter 4 votes, Mr Farrelly then declined a further poll, and the Council proceeded to a 3d ballot. Which was as follows (for Daniel T. Witter Seven votes, For Edmund Hogan 5 votes For Terrence Farrelly One vote,

Whereupon, Daniel T. Witter from

the County of Stempstead, having a majority of votes was declared duly Elected President of the Legislative Council, and was accordingly Conducted to the Chair.

When the Council proceeded to ballot for Secretary & on Counting the votes, they were as follows, For Thomas. H. Newton. Nine votes. For A.P. Nealy four votes, Mr Newton being declared duly Elected, was qualified and proceeded to the discharge of his duties. -

The Council then proceeded to the Election of Door Keeper, on Counting the votes they were as follows For Jonathan Harden 7 votes; For Samuel McHenry 5 votes For Solomon Hudson One vote - Whereupon Jonathan Harden was declared duly Elected -

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Wilson - as follows

Mr President I am instructed to inform you that the House of Representatives is organized and ready to proceed to business; and have Elected Ambrose. H. Sevier Speaker, and Andrew Moore Clerk, and Ezra Owens Door Keeper, And request the presence of the Council, in the Rep's Hall to Elect an Enrolling & Engrossing Clerk

The Council repaired to the Hall of the House of Representatives for the purpose of Electing an Enrolling & Engrossing Clerk on balloting the result was as follows For Allen. M. Oakley 11 Votes for William E Woodruff 11 Votes - there being 3 Ballotings without making a choice the Legislative Council retired.

A Message from the House of Rep's by Mr Ringold informing the Council that Mess's Montgomery & Wilson have been appointed on the Joint Committee to wait on the Governor.

Mess.rs Farnsley & Logan are appointed a Joint Committee to wait on the Governor, with the Committee from the House of Representatives, and inform him that both Houses are organized, and ready to receive any Communication he may have to make.

On motion of Mr. Farnsley

The Council Adjourned to 10 Oclock tomorrow morning.

Tuesday October 2d 1827.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment the President took the Chair, and called the House to Order.

Mr. Farnsley from the joint committee appointed to wait on the Governor and inform him that both Houses were organized and ready to receive any Message he might wish to make reported that the Committee had performed that duty, and that the Governor would send a Message at 12 Oclock this day by his private Secretary.

On Motion of Mr. Farnsley, The Council repaired to the Hall of the House of Representatives, and after hearing the following Message was presented to both Houses, by Mr. Smith, his private Secretary to the Governor and was read by Mr. Newton, the Secretary of the Council viz.

Fellow Citizens of the Legislative Council, and of the House of Representatives:

When the two houses of our Territorial Legislature adjourned in 1825 I anticipated & expected to have the satisfaction of announcing to their successors, at this moment, that our Population had reached the point at which, by the Laws of the United States, Territories are entitled to be admitted into the Union. That we have reached that point I entertain no doubt, but notwithstanding the zeal of the Officer whose duty it

is to take the census, the settlements are so disperse and the means of access to the Country so extended, that it is scarcely possible to note with precision the increase of our inhabitants. In 1829, however, I anticipate with security that the Star of Arkansa, will assume its rank in the Constellation which adorns the Banner of our County. Within a few months considerable alarm was excited, in our South-Western Counties, by a report that an armed force composed of our citizens but under the direction of the authorities in the neighbouring Republic of Mexico, had crossed the Red River, with the intention of waging war upon the Camanche Indians. The probable consequence of such a proceeding would have been a retaliatory inroad of those Savages, and some inconvenience to the settlements on that frontier. It appears now that the party alluded to dispersed of their own accord very soon after they had entered the County of Tescas, and by the latest accounts all uneasiness among our fellow citizens of Miller, and Hempstead Counties was dissipated.

Doubts have lately been expressed respecting the practicability of opening the road to Memphis in the line which the Commissioners appointed for that purpose had reported as the most advisable. That there has been error or neglect somewhere is evident; but should it be found necessary to diverge from the course recommended by the Commissioners, I have received positive assurances from several individuals acquainted with that part of the Country, that a road which can be conveniently travelled during at least two thirds of the year, may be effected. The advantages attending the opening of this inlet to the interior of the Territory are obvious, and I entertain a fervent hope that Congress will not be deterred, by the difficulties which have presented themselves, from continuing the patronage under which the undertaking has commenced. A certain consequence of the successful execution of the road as far as to this Town, will be

its continuation, by private esertion to the Hot Springs in Clark County, and thus esctending to thousands of valetudinariums on the eustern side of the Mississippi the means of access to those salutiferous waters. The Legislature at their last session passed an Act for the division of the Quapaw lands, annexing part of them to each of the adjoining Counties of Arkansa, and Pulaski. From causes which I need not dwell upon, this act, though signed by the Speakers of the respective Houses, was not presented to me for approval until the Session had closed; and a decision of the Superior Court established the illegality of carrying its provisions into operation. It will doubtless occur to you that the dignity of the Constituted authorities of this Territory has been attacked by such unwarantable neglect, or insolence; and I believe that it is yet in your power to punish those who are accessary to this disrespectful Conduct. In order to facilitate the due performance of the rules laid down by law, relative to the Returns of Elections, and of the Census in the different Counties, I would suggest the propriety of furnishing, at the public expense printed forms of those documents, to be delivered to the Clerks of the Circuit Courts, and making it a part of their duty to transmit to the Judges of Election, in the several Townships, as many of them as may be deemed requisite. The forms of the Census Returns as received this year, differ from each other in almost every instance; by making it the duty of the Sheriffs to use the printed papers, a distinct and uniform view would be obtained of the state and progress of our population.

I have lately received from the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States, the copy of an Act of Congress passed on the 2d of March of the current year, which provides for the location of two Townships of Land for the use of a Seminary of Learning in our Territory. It is intended to locate this land without delay, and I am instructed to make the

the necessary selections. It will give me satisfaction to receive from you such information as will enable me to execute this duty in the manner most advantageous to the different sections of our Territory.

While on this topic I would call your attention to the state of the reserved sections for the endowment of Schools. Many of these must have been improved, and no doubt the occupants would be content to pay a certain rent for permission to remain on them. From this source might be derived a fund very much wanted, for the support of County Schools. An alteration in the Act, relative to the sale of Patented Land for the payment of taxes seems advisable. A delay, for a reasonable term, of the provisions as now enforced, would obviate the complaints which are frequently made by non residents; and the appointment of a Receiver for the Taxes on property thus circumstanced, who should reside at the Seat of Government here, or making it the duty of the Treasurer to take charge of the monies received on this account, would produce the double benefit of bringing Specie, or bills equivalent to specie, into the Treasury (thus diminishing the amount of Scrip in circulation and raising the value of the latter) and would put an end to the harsh reflections, which are sometimes excited at a distance by the system of taxation existing among us. You will perceive by the Auditors accounts that the amount of outstanding Scrip, exclusive of interest, is no more than Five thousand and fifty four dollars. A loan to redeem this debt might, I believe, be obtained without difficulty. The consequence would be the immediate rise in the value of that paper, and a more adequate compensation for their services, to the Officers of the Territorial Government.

Fully confiding in the intelligence and attention with which your public duties will be accomplished and invoking a continuance of the Blessings showered on our Country by an Allwise, and All good Providence

I leave you to carry into effect the important purposes for which you are now convened.
Arkansas Territory Oct 2d 1827.
Gov. Izard.

The Legislative Council then retired to their Chamber,

On Motion of Mr Farrelly It is Ordered that Thirty Copies of the Governors Message be printed for the use of the Members of the Council.

The President announced the following appointments of Standing Committees viz.

Committee of Elections - Messrs Hogan, Litchfield Wolf and Humphreys

2 Committee of Ways & Means Messrs Pennington, Clark and Ruyskendael,

3 Committee on Memorials Messrs Hogan, Fowler, Dilliard and Clark,

4 Committee on the Judiciary Messrs Farrelly, Hogan & Weir.

5 Joint Committee of Enrolments Messrs Clark, Barfield, and Litchfield.

6 Committee to Examine Auditor & Treasurers Books
Messrs Farrelly, Barfield and Dilliard

A Message from House of Representatives by Mr Clark
Mr President I am instructed to inform you that the House of Representatives have appointed the following joint Committees viz.
A Committee to draft memorials consisting of Messrs Wilson, Montgomery, Clark, & Bean, A Committee of Enrolments Consisting of Messrs Johnson & Rinyold - A Committee to Examine the Auditor

& Treasurer's Books, viz. Messrs Rynold & Wilson

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Hardin, Informing the Legislative Council that the House of Representatives have adopted the Rules & Joint Rules of the last Session of the General Assembly of the Territory of Kansas, and asking the concurrence of the Council therein,

On Motion of Mr Hoyan the Council concurred with the House of Representatives in adopting the Rules & Joint Rules of the last General Assembly for the government of the present Session in

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Bean, requesting the attendance of the Legislative Council in the Hall of the House of Representatives for the purpose of Electing an Enrolling and Engrossing Clerk and Public Printer,

The Council repaired to the Representatives Hall for the purpose of Electing an Enrolling & Engrossing Clerk & Public Printer, On balloting for Clerk the following was the result for Allen McOakley 11 votes for Wm E Woodruff 11 votes there being no choice, they proceeded to ballot for a Public Printer, and William. E. Woodruff was declared duly Elected.
The Council then repaired to their Chamber.

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Richardson, Informing the Council that the House of Representatives have adopted 9 Oclock of the forenoon as the regular hour of meeting -

On Motion of Mr. Clark,
The Council adopted the hour of 9 Oclock in the forenoon, as the regular time of meeting -

And the Council adjourned to 9 Oclock Tomorrow morning —

Wednesday October 3d 1827.

The Legislative Council met pursuant to adjournment. The president took the Chair & called the House to order.

Mr Farrelly offered the following resolution viz. "Resolved that the Committee of Elections be instructed to enquire if any, what alteration or amendment is necessary in the laws regulating Elections in this Territory, with leave to report the same to this House" — which was adopted by the House.

On Motion of Mr Clark, It is ordered that a select Committee be appointed to enquire what alterations, if any are necessary to be made in the Revenue laws of this Territory with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr Hogan, gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a bill to divide the Lumpaw purchase, between the Counties of Arkansas & Pulaski

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Montgomery informing the Council that the Auditor of the Territory of Arkansas has furnished to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, his Report on the Receipts & Expenditures of the Territorial Revenue since the last Session of the General Assembly, and that the same has been referred to the joint Committee for the Examination of the Auditor & Treasurer Books —

On Motion of Mr Hogan

The Council adjourned to 9 Oclock tomorrow morning —

Thursday October 4th 1827.

The Legislative Council met pursuant to adjournment.

Agreeable to notice given yesterday. Mr Sloyan asked and obtained leave to introduce "a bill to divide the Quapaw purchase between the Counties of Arkansas & Pulaski" which was read the first time, and On Motion of Mr Sloyan the rules of this Council were dispensed with & the bill was read a second time - And On motion of Mr Farrelly Ordered to lie on the Table.

On Motion of Mr Farrelly the Message of the Governor to the General Assembly at the Commencement of the Session, is committed to a Committee of the whole House the Order of this day.

Messrs Clark, Weir & Pennington are appointed a Select Committee to enquire what alterations if any is necessary in the Revenue laws of this Territory - with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Clark, gave notice that On Monday next he would ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled "An act to repeal an Act passed at the Session of 1825, entitled, an Act in amendment to the Act relative to Writs of Certiorari"

Mr Farrelly offered the following Resolution which was adopted by the Council "Resolved That a Standing Committee on the Militia be appointed whose duty it shall be to take into consideration the Militia Laws of this Territory & all other subjects relative thereto, that may come in course, and be referred to them by this House, with leave to report by Bill or otherwise. And Messrs Farrelly Sloyan & Wolf were appointed said Committee -

Mr Wolf gave notice that On tomorrow he would ask leave to introduce a bill to include the Western boundary line of Izard County.

On Motion of Mr Hogan.

Mess Hogan Humphreys & Eyster dall are appointed a Select Committee to Examine into the Stray laws of the Territory with leave to report by Bill or otherwise.

The following Message was received from the Governor, by the hands of B Smith Esqr his Executive Secretary - viz To the President of the Legislative Council Sir I transmit application was made to me yesterday by the Door Keeper of the House over which you preside, in the name of One Field Bennett for a Copy of the Bill passed at the last Session of the Legislature in 1825, establishing a boundary line between the Counties of Arkansa & Pulaski You Ove, to which are affixed the certificates of T.W. Newton & D Barber Clerk of the respective Houses - I am Sir Your Obt Servt

Geo. Izard

And On motion of Mr Hogan the Message together with the accompanying papers Ordered to lie on the table with the Bill for the division of the County of Arkansa & Pulaski

On Motion of Mr. Farnly

The Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Mr Hogan in the Chair, On the aforesaid Message - The Message being read Mr Farnly moved the following Resolution viz. "Resolved that while we are deeply impressed with the necessity of supporting the Constituted authorities of our Country, and conceive any infringement on their dignity injurious to ours, as it is to all well organized governments, We are aware how easily, at the close of a Legislative Session, such an omission

as a paper mislaid or a bill not presented for the approval of the Executive might in the hurry of business occur. That the inflictive Judiciial Power of a Legislative body when extended beyond the purposes for which it was designed, is we conceive dangerous to the liberties of the Citizen and ought to be exercised with great caution. That whatever power the previous Legislative body might have had over its own Members & officers that power on their dissolution was not transfered to us. And it would be foreign to the purposes for which we are convened to cause any of the persons who composed that body to come before us to answer any alledged omissions or Contempts that may have happened in the Exercise of their duties. After some time spent in the Consideration of the Message the Committee rose reported progress, and asked & obtained leave to sit again.

And the Council Adjourned to 9 Oclock tomorrow morning.

Friday October 5th 1827.

The Legislative Council met pursuant to adjournment.

On Motion of Mr. Farnely the Resolution offered by him in Committee of the whole on the Governors Message relative to the lost bill of the last session was sent to the House of Representatives for Concurrence.

On motion of Mr Farnely. "Resolved that the Committee on the Auditor & Treasurers Books be instructed to ~~learn~~ examine all the Territorial Scrip Redeemed at the Treasury up to the present time". Which was sent to the House of Reps for Concurrence.

On Motion of Mr. Clark, Ordered that a Select Committee be appointed to examine into the Administration laws of this Territory with leave to report by Bill or otherwise, And Messrs Clark, Humphreys & Fowler are

appointed said Committee.

Mr Barfield gave Notice that on Tuesday next he would ask leave to introduce a bill for the relief of Crittenden County.

Mr Humphreys gave Notice that on Monday next he would ask leave to introduce a bill to alter the mode of Collecting taxes in this Territory

Agreeable to notice given yesterday Mr Wolf asked & obtained leave to introduce a bill to be entitled "An Act to extend the Western boundary line of Izard County" which was read the 1st time & ordered to a Second reading.

Mr Mc Kean moved the Council to take up the Bill for a division of the Quapaw Purchase between the Counties of Arkansas & Pulaski, and the question being put, it was decided in the negative

On Motion of Mr Farrelly

The Council resolved itself into Committee of the whole Mr Rogers in the Chair on the Governors Message. the 2d Paragraph being read Mr Fowler submitted the following Resolution viz "Resolved that it is deemed necessary that some enquiry should be made into the late alarm excited on our South Western Frontier by a party of armed men said to be under the protection of the Mexican Government and what measures if any are necessary for the security of our frontier from future inroads" The 8th Paragraph of the Message being read Mr Barfield offered the following resolution viz "Resolved That owing to the great depreciation of our Territorial Scrip it is deemed necessary that something should be done to improve the state of our Treasury: that if a loan, can be effected on the faith of the Territory at a moderate interest, it would

enhance the value of Scrip, and enable the Legislature to curtail the Expences of the Territory".

Which Resolutions was adopted by the Committee and after some time Spent in the further Consideration of the Message, the Committee rose and reported the resolutions to the house. Which was agreed to by the Council

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On Motion of Mr Fowler, Ordered that a Select Committee be appointed to whom shall be referd the Resolution adopted in Committee of the whole on the subject of the armed force on our South Western Frontier. And Messrs Fowler - Litchfield, & Wolf are appointed the Committee

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On Motion of Mr Barfield,

Ordered that a Select Committee consisting of three Members be appointed, to whom shall be refered, the Resolution adopted in Com = = mittee of the whole, On the Subject of a Loan to the Territory. And Messrs Barfield - Weir & Dillaird are appointed the Committee —

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Wilson, requesting the attendance of the Legislative Council, for the purpose of Electing an Enrolling & Engrossing Clerk, On Motion of Mr Farrelly the Council then repaired to the House of Representatives for that purpose. On a joint ballot of the two houses, the following was the result viz. for Allen. N. Oakley 12 Votes for W. E. Woodruff 10 votes, Whereupon Allen N Oakley was declared duly Elected Enrolling & Engrossing Clerk — and the Legislative Council returned to their Chamber.

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Wilson, informing the Council, that the House has concurred with the Council in adopting the Resolution, relative to the lost Bill of the last

Session, and also that they concur with the Council in adopting the Resolution relative to the burning of the Territorial Script, Redeemed at the Treasury up to this time.—

And the Council adjourned to 9 Oclock tomorrow morning.—

Saturday 6 Oct. 1827.

The Legislative Council met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr Hogan from the Committee on Memorials Reported a Memorial to the President of the United States, on the subject of the Memphis & Little Rock Road, which was read the 1st time. On motion of Mr Clark the rules of the Council were dispensed with & the Memorial read a 2d & 3d time & passed and sent to the House of Representatives for concurrence

On Motion of Mr Hogan the Bill entitled "An "Act for the division of the Quapaw lands between "the Counties of Arkansas & Pulaski was taken up and read, Mr Farrelly offered an amendment to the 3d section of the Bill which was rejected, and the Bill read a third time on its final passage, and Passed: & sent to the House of Reps for concurrence.

On Motion of Mr Farrelly "Resolved that the Committee on Memorials be instructed to enquire what number of the Sixteenth Sections of Land intended by the Laws of the United States for the use of Schools, have been appropriated or confirmed by the Laws of the United States to individuals under French or Spanish Grants; with leave to Memorialize the General Government.

Mr Hogan presented a Petition from a number of the Citizens of Conway County on the subject of the Seat of Justice in said County which was refered to a Select Committee, Consisting of Messrs Hogan, Kuykendall & Pennington - with leave to report by Bill or otherwise -

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On Motion of Mr Hogan The bill entitled "An Act to extend the Western boundary line of Izard County" was read a 2 time & ordered to be engrossed, and made the order of the day for Monday next.

On Motion of Mr Barfield " Resolved that so much of the Governors Message, as relates to the sale of Patented lands for the payment of taxes, be refered to the Committee of Ways & Means with leave to report by bills or otherwise.

On Motion of Mr Clark, Ordered that Mr Barfield be added to the Committee of Ways & Means -

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On Motion of Mr Hogan, Ordered that Mr Clark be added to the Committee on the Judiciary -

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On Motion of Mr Fowler, Ordered that Mr Family be added to the Select Committee to whom was refered the 2 Paragraph of the Governors Message -

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On Motion of Mr Barfield " Resolved that so much of the Governors Message, as relates to Election Returns, be refered to the Committee of Elections -

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On motion of Mr Clark, Ordered that the time of meeting of the Council be 10 Oclock in the morning instead of nine, as heretofore adopted. & the House of Representatives, was informed of the same.

And the Council adjourned to 10 Oclock on Monday morning next.

Monday 8th October 1827.

The Legislative Council met pursuant to adjournment.

On Motion of Mr Wolf The bill entitled "An Act to extend the Western boundary line of the County of Sgard" was read the third time on it's Final Passage and Passed and sent to the House of Representatives for Concurrence.

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Wilson informing the Council that the House of Representatives have passed the bill entitled "An act for the relief of the heirs and Representatives of James Hamilton deceased" and have sent the same to the Council & ask their Concurrence.

Agreeable to notice given on Thursday last Mr Clark asked & obtained leave to introduce a bill to be entitled "An Act to repeal an act passed at the Session of 1825 entitled "An act in amendment to the act relative to Writs of Certiorari," which was read the 1st time and the rules of the Council being dispensed with the bill was read a second time, and On Motion of Mr Hogan ordered to be engrossed, and Committed to a Committee of the whole and made the order of the day for tomorrow.

On Motion, leave of absence is granted to Mr Farrelly until tomorrow morning.

Mr Humphreys gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a bill to Repeal the 3d section of the act passed at the Session of 1823 - Regulating the fiscal concerns of this Territory.

Mr Clark gave notice that he would on Wednesday next ask leave to introduce a Bill for the relief of persons who have purchased lands at the Tax Sales in the different Counties of this Territory under the belief that they were Military Bounty lands, but which had been otherwise appropriated.

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Ringold informing the Council that the House of Representatives have passed a Bill for the division of Hempstead County, also a Bill for the division of Lewisford County, and ask the concurrence of the Council

On Motion of Mr Hogan The bill for a division of Hempstead County" from the House of Representatives was read the 1st time ordered to a second reading -

On Motion of Mr Williams The bill for a division of Lewisford County" from the House of Representatives was read the first time ordered to a second reading

Mr Humphreys withdrew the notice given by him on Friday of his intention to introduce a bill to alter the mode of collecting taxes -

And the Council adjourned to 10 O'clock tomorrow morning -

Tuesday October 9th 1827.

The Legislative Council met pursuant to adjournment.

Agreeable to notice given on Friday last Mr Barfield asked & obtained leave to introduce "A bill for the relief of Cattenden County" which was read the first time, and Ordered to lie on the table.

On Motion of Mr Clark The Council resolved into Committee of the whole Mr Pennington in the Chair on the bill entitled "An act to repeal an act passed at the Session of 1825 entitled An act in amendment to the act relative to Writs of Certiorari" after some time spent in the consideration of the Bill the Committee rose and reported the same without amendment and asked obtained leave to sit again

Mr Farrelly was appointed President Pro tem of the Council.

The bill for a division of Hempstead County was taken up and read a 2d time & on Motion of Mr Witter committed to a Committee of the Whole & made the Order of the day for tomorrow.

The bill for a division of Crawford County was taken up and read a 2d time & On Motion of Mr Dillard committed to a committee of the Whole and made the order of the day for tomorrow.

The bill from the House of Representatives entitled "An act for the relief of the Heirs & Representatives of James Hamilton decd" was taken up and read the first time - On Motion of Mr Witter the rules of the Council were dispensed with, and the bill read a 2d time & Committed to a Committee of the Whole & made the order of this day - The Council then resolved into Committee

of the whole Mr Clark in the chair on the Bill entitled "An act for the relief of the Heirs & Representatives of James Hamilton dec^d after some time spent in the consideration thereof the Committee rose and reported the bill with amendments which were concurred in by the Council. and the Bill read a third time & sent to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Agreeable to notice given on yesterday Mr Humphreys asked & obtained leave to introduce a Bill entitled "An act to repeal the 3 section of an "act Supplementary to the Several Laws now in force "regulating the fiscal concerns of this Territory" which was read the first time & ordered to a second reading -

Mr Barfield gave notice that he would on Friday next ask leave to introduce a bill to "change the mode of Summoning Grand Juries in this "Territory" -

And the Council adjourned to 10 o'clock tomorrow morning -

Wednesday October 10th 1827.

The Legislative Council met pursuant to adjournment. (D.D.)

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Nelson, with three Petitions of sundry citizens of the County of Hempstead praying for a division of said County—

Mr Clark withdrew the notice given by him on Monday of his intention to introduce a bill for the relief of persons who have purchased lands at the Tax Sales— and gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a bill for that purpose.

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Ringgold informing the Council that the House of Representatives have adopted the Resolution that no Bill shall be introduced into either house after the 20th day of this month, and asking the Council to concur in the same.

On Motion of Mr Hamilton the Council concurred with the House of Representatives in adopting the Resolution—

On Motion of Mr Clark, The Council resolved into Committee of the whole Mr Hogan in the chair on the Bill entitled "An act to repeal an act in amendment to An act to repeal an act passed at the Session of 1825 entitled An act in amendment to the act relative to writs of Certiorari"— after some time spent in the consideration of the Bill the Committee rose & reported the same with amendments— which were concurred in by the Council. And On Motion of Mr Hamilton the Bill ordered to be engrossed and read a third time tomorrow on its final passage.

On Motion of Mr Hogan The Council resolved into Committee of the Whole Mr Clark in the Chair on the Bill to divide Hempstead County" after some time spent in the consideration thereof the Committee rose & reported the same with some amendments which were concurred in by the Council; and the bill read a third time, & sent to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Hopkins informing the Council that the House of Representatives have passed the bill entitled "An act repealing an act allowing compensation to Grand Jurors - and asking the concurrence of the Council -

On Motion of Mr Farrelly the bill from the House of Representatives entitled "An act repealing an act allowing compensation to Grand Jurors" was taken up and read the 1st time & ordered to a second reading

On Motion of Mr Williams The Council resolved into Committee of the whole Mr Barfield in the Chair on the "Bill for the division of Crawford County" after some time spent in the consideration thereof the Committee rose and reported the same without amendment - the Council concurred in the report of the Committee, and On Motion of Mr Farrelly the bill was read a third time on its final passage and Passed.

~~The bill entitled "An act to repeal an act passed at the session of 1842 entitled "an act in amendment to the act relative to~~

The bill entitled "An act to repeal the third section of an act supplementary to the Revenue laws now in force regulating the fiscal concerns of this Territory" was taken up and read a 2d time - And On Motion of Mr Farrelly Ordered to lie on the table -

And the Council adjourned to 10 Oclock tomorrow morning

Thursday October 11th 1827.

The Legislative Council met pursuant to adjournment

Agreeable to notice given on yesterday Mr Clark asked & obtained leave to introduce a bill to be entitled "An Act for the relief of persons who have purchased lands at the late Sales in the different Counties of this Territory, disposing them to be Military Bounty Lands which had been otherwise appropriated" Which was read the first time ordered to a second reading

Mr Hogan from the Select committee to whom was refered the Petition of sundry citizens of Conway County on the subject of the Seat of Justice of said County, Reported a bill to be entitled "An act permanently to locate the Seat of Justice in the County of Conway."

Which was read the first time ordered to a second reading

Mr Hogan presented the Petition of T. M. Calvert with sundry depositions, Contesting the right of Edmin F. Clark, to a Seat in the Legislative Council

Mr Clark also presented sundry depositions on the same subject, all of which are refered to the Committee of Elections -

On Motion of Mr Hogan, Ordered that Mr Barfield be added to the Committee of Elections.

On Motion of Mr Barfield, Ordered that Mr Pennington be added to the same Committee -

Mr Dillard, gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a bill to locate the Seat of Justice of the County of Crawford

Mr Litchfield gave notice that he would On tomorrow ask leave to introduce a bill to be entitled "An act supplementary to an act in Force digest under title Constables"

Mr Wolf gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a bill to be entitled "An act Concerning Certain Executors and Administrators in the County of Izard".

On Motion of Mr Fowler "Resolved that the "Governor be requested to furnish this General "Assembly with such information as he has in "his possession relative to the Excitements in the "South Western Counties of this Territory".

Mr Hogan gave notice that he would on Saturday next ask leave to introduce a bill to be entitled "An act to define the boundary lines between the "Counties of Pulaski Clark and Conway"-

The bill from the House of Representatives entitled "an act repealing ~~the~~ act allowing Compensation to Grand Jurors" was taken up and read a 2d time and On Motion of Mr Clark Committed to a Com= =mittee of the whole and made the order of this day

The bill entitled "An act to repeal an act Passed at the Session of 1825. relative to writs of Certiorari" was read the third time On its final Passage and Passed.

Mr Dillard gave notice that he would on Saturday next ask leave to introduce a bill for the Punishment of all persons living in a state of adultery"

On motion of Mr Clark the Council resolved into Committee of the whole, Mr Wolf in the Chair on the bill entitled "An act repealing an act allowing compensation to Grand Jurors"

The bill being read Mr Clark offered an amend=ment to the 2° Section as follows viz. Section 2nd "Be it further enacted that every person summoned" "to attend on the Grand Jury of any of the Counties of this" "Territory who shall attend, and serve, shall be" "allowed 8m cents for every mile which they travel" "in attending said Summons, Provided always that" "each Grand Juryman, wishing to claim his attendance" "shall make out his account for the number of miles" "he has travelled & present the same to the Clerk" "and the said Clerk shall require such Grand Juryman" "to prove by his own Oath or otherwise the correctness" "of such account & shall thereupon give his certificate" "for the amount proved as aforesaid, which certificate" "shall be a lawful tender for the payment to any County" "Claims." which amendment was rejected and the Committee rose and reported the Bill without amendments; and the Council concurred in the Report of the Committee - and the Bill was read the third time on its final passage & Passed.

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Wilson informing the Council that the House have passed a Memorial to the President of the United States on the subject of Lovely's purchase & ask the concurrence of the Council therein -

On motion of Mr Clark the Memorial was read the first time & the rules of the Council being dispensed with it was read a second & third time & Passed.

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Johnston, informing the Council that the House of Representatives have passed a bill entitled "An act to repeal the several laws allowing Compensation to road Commissioners, Overseers of Roads & Justices of

the Peace for apportioning the lands to work on roads" Land ask the concurrence of the Council - the Bill was read the first time & ordered to a second reading -

And the Council adjourned to 10 Oclock tomorrow morning

Friday October 13th 1837.

The Legislative Council met pursuant to adjournment

The following Message in writing was received from the Governor by W Smith Esq his Private Secretary. To the President of the Legislative Council Sir. In compliance with a request addressed to me yesterday from your House, I send for their information the accompanying Papers numbered 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. & 6. which, when Copies have been taken of them for the use of the Legislature, I must desire to have returned.

Geo. Gipps.

On Motion of Mr Fowler the Message together with the accompanying documents are referred to the Select committee on the 2 paragraphs of the Governors Message -

Mr Hogan from the Committee on the Stray laws. Reported a bill entitled "An act relative to Strays" which was read the first time & ordered to a second reading

Agreeable to notice given yesterday Mr Setchfield asked & obtained leave to introduced a bill entitled "an act supplementary to an act in Lyon digest of the laws of Nisi Prius under title Constables" which was read the first time & ordered to a second reading

Agreeable to notice given yesterday Mr Hall of asked & obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An act concerning certain Execution and Administration in the County of Izard" which was read the first time & ordered to a second reading

The Bill entitled "An act to repeal the several laws allowing compensation to road Commissioners, overseers of roads and Justices of the Peace for apportioning hands to work on roads" was taken up & read a second time and committed to a committee of the whole & made the order of the day for tomorrow.

The bill entitled "An act for the relief of persons who have purchased lands at the Land Sales in the different Counties of this Territory supposing them to be Military bounty Lands, which had been otherwise appropriated" was taken up & read a second time & committed to a committee of the whole & made the order of the day for tomorrow.

The bill entitled "An act permanently to locate the Seat of Justice in the County of Conway" was taken up and read a second time & committed to a committee of the whole & made the order of the day for tomorrow.

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Johnston informing the Council that the House of Representatives have passed the bill entitled "an act for the division of the County of Phillips." & send the same for concurrence. The bill was then taken up & read the first time, On Motion of Mr Clark the rules of the Council were dispensed with and the bill read a second time & committed to a Committee of the whole & made the order of this day

Agreeable to notice given yesterday Mr. Dilliard asked & obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An act to locate the seat of Justice in Lovely County & for other purposes". which was read the first time, & on Motion of Mr Dilliard the rules of the Council were dispensed with & the bill read a second time & committed to a committee of the whole & made the order of the day for tomorrow.

On Motion of Mr Clark the Council resolved into Committee of the whole Mr Dilliard in the chair on the bill entitled "An act for the division of the County of Phillips" after some time spent in the consideration of the same, the Committee rose & Reported the Bill without amendment, On Motion of Mr Clark it was taken up & read a third time on its final passage the yeas & nays being called for were as follows - viz

Ayes Messrs Barfield - Clark - Hadley - Hogan Humphreys - Key Kendall - Weir. Wolf & President - 9

Nays Messrs Dilliard - Farrelly - Litchfield & Pennington - 4 and the bill was Passed

Mr Farrelly gave notice that he would on Monday next ask leave to introduce a bill to prevent Constables from executing or attaching Slaves & for other purposes".

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Hudgeath informing the Council that the House of Representatives have passed a bill entitled "An act permanently to locate the seat of Justice for the County of Lawrence" which is sent for their concurrence. the bill was taken up & read the first time & on Motion of Mr Humphreys 2nd time & Committed to a committee of the whole & made the order of the day for tomorrow.

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Kingsbe informing the Council that the House have concurred with the Council in their 1st amendment to the 3d Sec. of the bill entitled "An act to divide the County of Hempstead" and that they disagree to the second amendment proposed to the last section of the said bill, & return the same to the Council for their concurrence.

And the Council adjourned to 10 Oclock Tomorrow morning.

Saturday October 13th 1827

The Legislative Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The bill entitled "An act relative to the Militia Laws now in force in Arkansas Territory" was taken up, read a second time and On Motion of Mr Rogers committed to a Committee of the whole and made the order of the day for Monday next.

The bill entitled "An act concerning certain Execution & Administration in the County of Izard" was taken up & read a second time ordered to a third reading on its final passage on Monday next.

The bill entitled "An act supplementary to an act in force digest of the Laws of Missouri under title Constable" was taken up and read the 2d time & On Motion of Mr Farrelly referred to a Select Committee consisting of Messrs Litchfield, Pennington & Weir.

On Motion of Mr Farrelly, the Council receed from the 2d amendment made by them to the Bill to divide Hempstead County & the Bill was passed.

On Motion of Mr Hogan the Council resolved into Committee of the Whole Mr Fowler in the Chair on the bill entitled "An act permanently to locate the Seat of Justice of Conway County" after some consideration of the Bill the Committee rose and reported the same with amendments which were agreed to by the Council, and On Motion of Mr Farrelly referred to a Select Committee, viz. Messrs Hogan Farrelly & Stuyvendall, ~~~

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Wilson informing the Council that the House of Representatives have passed a bill entitled "An act ~~repealing~~ an act & entitled ~~An act repealing~~ an act entitled an act supplementary to the Revenue laws regulating the collection of Taxes" and asking the Concurrence of the Council in the same, also that there is now before the House of Representatives a bill relative to the appointment of Constables -

On Motion of Mr Williams the Council resolved into Committee of the whole Mr Wolf in the Chair on the bill entitled "An act to locate the Seat of Justice in Lovely County & for other purposes" after some Consideration of the Bill the Committee rose & reported the same with amendments which were agreed to by the Council, & On Motion of Mr Farrelly Ordered to be Engrossed and read the third time on its final passage on Monday next.

On Motion of Mr Humphreys the Council resolved into Committee of the whole Mr Weir in the Chair On the bill entitled "An act permanently to locate the Seat of Justice for the County of Laurence" after some time spent in the Consideration of the Bill the Committee rose & reported the same with amendments which were agreed to by the Council & Ordered to

be read a third time on its final passage on Monday next.

On motion of Mr Clark the Council resolved into Committee of the whole Mr Hogan in the chair on the bill entitled "An act for the relief of persons who have purchased lands at the Tax Sales in the different Counties of this Territory supposing them to be Military Bounty lands which had been otherwise appropriated." the Bill being read Mr Clark offered an amendment to the 4 Section of the Bill which was adopted - On motion of Mr Farrelly the 4th Section with its enacting clause was stuck out - when the Committee rose and reported the bill & the Council concurred in the Report of the Committee, & the Bill ordered to be Engrossed & read a third time on its final passage On Monday

On motion of Mr Farrelly. The Council Resolved into Committee of the whole Mr Litchfield in the Chair on the Bill entitled "An act to repeal the several laws allowing Compensation to Road Commissioners, Overseers of Roads and Justices of the Peace for apportioning the hands to work on roads" after some time spent in the consideration of the Bill the committee rose and Reported ~~the Bill without amendments~~ & asked leave to sit again, the Council Concurred in the report of the Committee & leave to sit again on Tuesday next.

Agreeable to notice given on Thursday last Mr Hogan asked & obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An act defining the North = = Western boundary of the County of Pulaski" which was read the first time & ordered to a second reading

The bill from the House of Representatives entitled "An act repealing an act entitled an act supplementary to the several laws regulating the collection of Taxes." was taken up and read the first time & ordered to a second reading —

And the Council adjourned to 10 Oclock On Monday morning —

Monday 15th October 1827.

The Legislative Council ~~met~~ pursuant to adjournment

Agreeable to notice given On Friday Mr Farrelly asked & obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An act preventing Constables from Executing & selling negroe Slaves under Execution & for Other purposes" which was read the first time & ordered to a second reading —

Mr Litchfield from the Select committee made the following Report. "Your Committee have had under consideration according to order the Bill entitled "An act supplementary to an act in Lieu & digest of the "Laws of Missouri under title Constables" & report the same without amendment — On motion of Mr Litchfield the Bill ordered to be engrossed & read a third time tomorrow On its final Passage

The bill entitled "An act repealing an act entitled an act supplementary to the several laws regulating the collection of Taxes." was taken up & read a second time & ordered to be read a third time tomorrow On its finial passage

The bill entitled "An act defining the North-Western boundary of the County of Pulaski" was taken up & read a second time & ordered to a third reading on tomorrow on its final passage.

Mr Clark gave notice that he would on Wednesday next ask leave to introduce a bill to abolish the office of Prosecuting Attorneis in this Territory"

The bill entitled "An act for the relief of persons who have purchased Lands at the late Sales in the different Counties of this Territory supposing them to be military bounty lands which had been otherwise appropriated" was taken up & read a third time and Passed

The Council resolved into Committee of the whole Mr Farrelly in the chair, On the bill entitled "An act relative to the Stray laws now in force in Arkansas Territory" after some consideration of the bill the committee rose & reported the same with amendments, which were agreed to & ordered to be engrossed & read a third time tomorrow on its final passage.

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Johnson informing the Council that the House of Representatives have passed a bill entitled "An act permanently to locate the Seat of Justice in the County of Clark" & also a bill entitled "An act supplementary to an act for the regulation of the Town of Little Rock & for other purposes approved October 27th 1825." & send the same for the Concurrence of the Legislative Council. The bills were taken up & read the first time & ordered to a second reading on

The bill entitled "an act Concerning certain Executors & Administrators in the County of Izard" was taken up and read a third time on its final passage & Passed.

The bill entitled "An act permanently to locate the Seat of Justice in Lovely County and for other purposes" was taken up and read a third time, when Mr Farrilly offered an amendment to the bill which was adopted and the bill Passed.

The bill entitled "An act permanently to locate the Seat of Justice in the County of Lawrence" was taken up and read a third time, when Mr Farrilly offered an amendment which was adopted and the bill was Passed

On motion of Mr Barfield the bill entitled "An Act for the relief of Crittenden County" was taken up and read a second time and Committed to a committee of the whole & made the Order of the day for Wednesday next.

A Message was received from the Governor by Mr Smith his private Secretary informing the Legislative Council that he has approved and signed the following Acts recently passed by the General Assembly viz. "An act for the division of the County of Phillips"
"An act dividing the Quapaw purchase between the
"Counties of Arkansas & Pulaski"
"An act for the division of the County of Crawford"
"An act for the relief of the Heirs & Representatives of
"James Hamilton dec'd"
"An Act repealing an act allowing compensation to
Grand Jurors
"An act to extend the Western boundary line of the
"County of Izard"

And also informing the Council

that the Memorial addressed to the President of the United States by the General Assembly should be forwarded to Washington without delay —

On Motion of Mr Clark Ordered that Mr Farrelly be added to the Committee on the Revenue laws —

And the Council adjourned to 10 Oclock tomorrow morning —

Tuesday October 16th 1827.

The Legislative Council met pursuant to adjourn= =ment —

Mr Farrelly from the Joint Committee to whom was referred the examination of the Auditor & Treasurers Books. made the following Report. That according to order they have performed the duties assigned them and find the State of the Treasury as follows viz. It appears by the report of the joint Committee appointed at the October session 1825. that the amount of the Territorial debt was $8.063.15¼ cents. since that period there has been warrants drawn on the Treasury to amount of $14.740.68 cents. which together with the sum of Sixty three dollars 67 cents over paid by Collection of the revenue makes the sum of $22.867.50¼ cents the amount of debit up to the first of October 1827. from which sum deduct the sum of $17.398.20 cents the amount of Principal of redeemed Scrip at the Treasury from last report up to the 1st day of October 1827. leaves a balance of $5.469.30¼ which sum taking for our data the last report of the Legislature would be the amount of Scrip in circulation — to which if we add, the probable amount of interest now due, taking it comparatively with the interest allowed at the Treasury during the preceding 4 years, will be $650. makes the sum of $6.119.30¼ the amount of Territorial debt on the first day of Oct. 1827. the nt. revenue accounted for at the Treasury from last report up to the 1st of Oct. 1827. amounted to the sum of $18.812.84 cents

of which Sum $17.398.20 cents was paid into the Treasury in Scrip and the Sum of $1414.64 cents the amount of interest allowed on the Same.

For all the warrants drawn on the Treasury for per vouchers have been filed in the auditors Office, & have been duly examined by the committee the annexed Schedule marked A. will shew the different accounts on which those warrants have been drawn. by the Auditors report it appears, there will be due from collection of the revenue on the first day of December next the Sum of $8.848.16 1/2 cents to which add the Sum of $612.94 cents now due by defaulters will make the Sum of $9.461.10 1/2 cents, from which Sum deduct the expence of collection & probable amount of Military bounty lands that may be drawn off to the Territory on the first Monday of November next $2.365.— leaves a balance of $7.096.10 1/2 cents the probable amount of next revenue for the current year. The Committee find however on examination of former reports, with the Treasurers books - that a material difference arises in consequence of interest allowed at the Treasury on redeemed Scrip not estimated in former reports - The amount as near as the Committee can find out is $1684.17 cents For which Sum there must still be scrip outstanding - & should therefor be added to the estimated debt as above $6.119.30 1/4 cents which will make the Sum of $7.803.47 1/2 cents the probable amount of Territorial debt exclusive of interest on the former Sum of $1684.17 cents -. In closing this Report the Committee cannot refrain from remarking the great & growing increase of expenditures of the Territory, comparing the two last with the two preceding years - Should the Subsequent expenditures increase in the same ratio, which we have little reason to doubt, it will be but a few years, until the following items (see Schedule A. for the present amount) will amount to a Sum sufficient to absorb One half of our present revenue, viz. Costs in Criminal Prosecutions - Public arms, printing &c / Inspecting the Militia -

All the Warrants Vouchers, Treasurers Receipts & accounts &c examined by the committee are in possession

of the Chairmans of the Committee from the House of Representatives. & will be delivered over without house with a duplicate of this Report.

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Schedule shewing the Gross amount of Warrants drawn on the Treasury from the last report of the Committee in October 1825. up to the first day of October 1827. & for what purpose.

To Members of Last Legislature their offices	$4.673.75
" Sheriffs by the Supr Court for costs in criminal prosecutions grand jurors Grand Juries &c	1.582.15½
" Public arms for Storage cleaning & preservation of same	187.50
" Election Returns	179.40
" Publishing the laws & Journals. distributing & other public printing	829.62½
Salaries of Civil officers	7.615.00
Inspecting the Militia	275.25
	$14.740.68

Mr Farrelly from the same committee further Reported - that according to order the Committee had performed the duty assigned them in regard to burning the Territorial Scrip redeemed at the Treasury and that the principal Scrip burnt by the committee amounted to the sum of $17.398.00 cents which sum the Committee counted & found correct and to correspond with the Payments made into the Treasury since the report of the last Committee -

On Motion of Mr Farrelly

Ordered that the Report of the Joint Committee on the Auditor & Treasurer's books be Committed to a committee of the whole & made the order of the day for tomorrow.

The bill entitled "An act permanently to locate the Seat of Justice in the County of Clark, was taken up and read a 2d time & On motion of Mr Clark, Committed to a Committee of the whole & made the order of the day for Thursday next.

The bill entitled "An act supplementary to an act for the regulation of the Town of Little Rock, approved October 27th 1825." was taken up & read a 2d time & Committed to a committee of the whole & made the Order of the day for tomorrow.

The bill entitled "An act preventing Constables from executing & selling negro Slaves under execution & for other purposes" was taken up and read the 2d time & committed to a committee of the whole & made the order of the day for tomorrow.

The bill entitled "An act relative to the Many laws now in force" was taken up and read a 3d time on its final passage & Passed

The bill entitled "An act supplementary to an act in force apart of the Laws of Missouri under title "Constables" was taken up and read a third time On its final passage & Passed.

The bill entitled "An act repealing an act entitled an act supplementary to the several laws regulating the collection of taxes" was taken up & read a third time On its final passage & Passed.

The bill entitled "An act defining the Northwestern boundary of Pulaski County" was taken up & read a 3d time on its final passage & passed.

A message from the Governor informing the Council that he has approved & signed "An act for the division of Hempstead County -

The Council resolved into Committee of the whole Mr Fowler in the chair on the bill entitled "An act to repeal the law allowing Compensation to road commissioners - Overseers of roads & Justices of the Peace for apportioning hands to work on roads"

After some consideration of the bill the Committee rose and reported progress & asked to obtain leave to sit again -

And the Council adjourned to 10 Oclock Tomorrow morning.

Wednesday October 17th 1827.

The Legislative Council met pursuant to adjournment -

Mr Clark from the Select committee on the Revenue laws Reported a Bill entitled "An act further defining the duties of Clerks" which was read the first time ordered to a second reading.

Mr Morgan from the Select committee to whom was referred the Bill entitled "An act permanently to locate the seat of Justice for the County of Conway" Reported the same with some amendments & On Motion of Mr Morgan the Council agreed to the same, & Committed to a committee of the whole made the order of this day -

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On Motion of Mr Bonfield, The Council resolved into Committee of the whole Mr Litchfield in the Chair on the bill entitled "An act for the relief of Crittenden County" the bill being read Mr Clark moved to strike out the 1st Section with the enacting clause, which was decided in the affirmative & the Committee rose & reported the bill as amended, the Council concurred in the Report of the committee, & the bill was Rejected.

The Council Resolved into committee of the whole Mr Farrelly in the Chair on the bill entitled "An act supplementary to an act for the regulation of the Town of Little Rock & for other purposes approved Oct 27th 1837." after some consideration of the Bill the Committee rose & reported the same with an amendment which was agreed to by the Council & the Bill read a 3 time & passed & sent to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

The Council Resolved into committee of the whole Mr Hogan in the Chair on the bill entitled "An act preventing Constables from Executing & selling negro slaves under Execution" & for other purposes" after some consideration the committee rose & reported the Bill without amendment, & the same was read a third time on its final passage & passed.

The Council Resolved into committee of the whole Mr Fowler in the Chair, on the Bill entitled "An act to repeal the Revenue laws allowing compensation to road Commissioners, Overseers of roads and Justices of the Peace for apportioning hands to work on roads." On motion of Mr Farrelly the title of the bill was changed as follows "An act supplementary to the Revenue laws concerning Roads" after some further amendments the committee rose & reported the amendments which were agreed to by the Council, & the Bill read a third time on its final passage & passed. & sent to the House for concurrence —

The Council Resolved into Committee of the whole Mr Dillard in the chair on the bill entitled "An act permanently to locate the Seat of Justice for the County of Conway." after some consideration of the Bill the committee rose & reported the same with amendments which were agreed to by the Council, & the bill Ordered to be engrossed

and read a third time tomorrow on its final passage —

Mr Wolf gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a bill entitled "An act for the relief of Tyard County"

Mr Clark withdrew the notice given by him of his intention to introduce a bill to abolish the Offices of Prosecuting Attorneys —

Mr Barfield withdrew the notice given by him of his intention to introduce a Bill relative to Grand Juries; And gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a bill to alter the mode of summoning Grand & Petit Juries —

Mr Litchfield gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a bill to be entitled "An act supplementary to an act to exempt from execution certain articles of property"

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Wilson informing the Council that a bill to be entitled "An act regulating Elections" had passed the House of Representatives & sent to the Council for concurrence. The bill was read the first time & on Motion of Mr Farrelly the rules of the Council dispensed with & read a second time & referred to the Standing Committee of Elections —

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Underwood informing the Council that the House of Representatives have passed the bill from the Council entitled "An act to repeal an act passed at the session of 1825. entitled an act in amendment to the act relative to writs of certiorari" with an amendment & ask the concurrence of the Council therein.

On Motion of Mr Clark The Council disagreed to the amendment made by the House of Representatives —

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Beaw informing the Council that the House of Representatives have concurred in passing "An act for the relief of persons who have "purchased lands at the Sale sales in the different "counties of this Territory supposing them to be "Military Bounty lands, which had been otherwise appropriated." and also "An act concerning certain Execution & Administration in the County of Izard"

On motion of Mr Humphreys the bill entitled "An act to repeal the third Section of an act supplementary to the Revenue laws now in force regulating the fiscal concerns of this Territory" was taken up & read a second time, & On Motion of Mr Humphreys Ordered to be committed to a Committee of the whole & made the order of the day for tomorrow.

And the Council adjourned to 10 Oclock tomorrow morning.

Thursday October 18th 1827.

The Legislative Council met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr Fowler from the Committee on Memorials Reported a Memorial to the President of the United States on the subject of the Choctaw Lands" which was read 1st time & on Motion of Mr Fowler the rules of the Council was dispensed with & the Memorial read a second & third time & Passed.

Agreeably to notice given on yesterday Mr Wolf asked & obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An act for the relief of Izard County" was read the first time & ordered to a second reading.

Agreeably to notice given yesterday, Mr. Litchfield asked & obtain leave to introduce a bill entitled "An act supplementary to an act exempting from "Execution certain articles of personal property" which was read the first time & Ordered to a 2d reading

Agreeably to notice given yesterday Mr Barfield asked & obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An act changing the mode of summoning Grand & Petit Jurors" which was read the first time & Ordered to a Second reading.

The bill entitled "An act further defining the duties of clerks" was taken up & read a Second time and committed to a committee of the whole and made the order of the day for tomorrow.

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr. Wilson informing the Council that the following bills have passed that House viz. "An act supplementary to an act passed at the Session of 1825, under title of "an act supplementary to an act for the recovery of small debts"

"An act to locate the Seat of Justice in St. Francis County"

Also that the House concur in the amendment made by the Council to the bill entitled "an act to repeal an act passed at the Session of 1825 relative to writ of Certiorari"

Also that they concur in the amendment made by the Council to the Bill entitled "An act to repeal the Several laws allowing compensation to road commissioners, Overseers of roads & Justices of the Peace to apportion hands to work on roads" Also that they have passed a Memorial to the Congress of the United States in relation to School lands", and ask the concurrence of the Council - Also that the House of Reps disagree to the amendment made by the Council to the "Act supplementary to an act for the regulation of the Town of Little Rock & for other purposes" approved October 27th 1825."

On motion of Mr Hogan the Council recede from the amendment made by them to the bill entitled "an act supplementary to an act for the regulation of the Town of Little Rock & for other purposes" approved 27th of October 1825." & the bill was Passed.

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Johnson, informing the Council that the House have passed a bill entitled "an act to locate the Seat of Justice of Crawford County" & ask the concurrence of the Council in the same.

~~The Memorial from the House of Representatives to the Congress of the United States on the subject of School lands was taken up read & three times & Passed.~~

The bill entitled "An act to locate the Seat of Justice of the County of St Francis" was taken up and read a first time & ordered to a second reading.

The bill entitled "An act to locate the Seat of Justice of Crawford County," was taken up read a ~~first~~ time & ordered to a second reading.

The bill entitled "an act supplementary to an act passed at the Session of 1825, under title of "an act supplementary to an act for the recovery of small debts" was taken up and read a first time & ordered to a 2d reading

The bill entitled "An act permanently to locate the Seat of Justice in the County of Conway" was taken up & read a third time on its final passage and passed.

The Council Resolved into Committee of the whole Mr Peir in the Chair on the bill entitled "An act to locate the Seat of Justice in the County of Clark", after some consideration of the bill the Committee rose & reported the same without amendments, and the bill was read a third time & Passed.

The Council Resolved into Committee of the whole Mr Bof in the Chair on the bill entitled "An act to repeal the third Section of an act supplementary to the Revised laws now in force regulating the fiscal Concerns of this Territory" after some consideration of the bill the Committee rose & reported progress and asked to have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

Mr Barfield gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a bill to authorise Clerks of Courts to issue monthly licenses in Vacation

And the Council adjourned to 10 O clock tomorrow.

Friday October 19th 1827.

The Legislative Council met pursuant to adjournment

Mr Farnsly from the Select Committee to whom was refered the Resolution of the 5th Inst. to enquire into the late alarm on our South Western Frontier, & enquire into the Cuts caused by a body of armed men under the protection of the Mexican government, and what measures if any are necessary for the Security of that frontier from future invads. "Report that according to order they have had the same under consideration, and after a mature investigation of the facts, collected from the personal information of Citizens of Miller County, and from the papers refered to them. It appears that in the latter part of July last Nathaniel Robins who represents

himself to be a Colonel in the Mexican Service and Doct. Lewis B. Dayton calling themselves Commissioners on the part of the Government of Texas endeavoured to persuade a portion of the inhabitants South of Red River who are living on Territory at present unknown to which government it belongs, but over which the United States have heretofore extended jurisdiction - to throw off their allegiance to the government of the United States, and form a provisional Government under the protection of the authorities of Texas, that for this purpose they exhibited a paper purporting to be from under the hand of Jose Canedo Chief of the Department of the province of Texas, consisting of different articles to guide them in the formation of such provisional government. a copy of which No 3 is herewith reported. That notwithstanding the inducements held out by these agents of the Mexican Government the people South of Red River so far as your Committee can find out have not committed any overt acts, to justify the conclusion that they had acceded to the propositions submitted to them, by those reputed Agents of the Mexican Government -

Your Committee further report that Charles Burnham who represented himself to be a Captain in the Mexican Service, at the Settlement South of Red River or what is called Pecan Point - issued a proclamation to the inhabitants bearing date the 15th of June last a copy of which is herewith reported No 5. stating that he had made arrangements with the Mexican Government to conduct an expedition against the Camanche Indians and endeavoured to raise an armed force for that purpose. holding forth as inducements to every man who should arm and equip himself and join the expedition; the promise of a handsome Compensation from the Mexican Government & a proportionate share of whatever captures they might make of the Indians.

That in consequence of such attempts great excitement and alarm prevailed among the inhabitants of Miller County, both on the North and South of Red River - and was the cause of Communication No 4 from a citizen

of Miller County, and No 6 from the Commandant at Fort Towson, to Governor Izard, copies of which papers are herewith reported. That in consequence of this alarm Major Cummings despatched Lt Colquhoun to demand of those persons viz. Robins & Buckham an explanation, by what authority they attempted to violate the laws, by holding meetings, & endeavouring to raise an armed force within the Jurisdiction of the United States. That he Lt Colquhoun in his letter to Majr Cummings a copy of which is here reported No 7 states that those persons apprised him that nothing further should be attempted - their object was only to obtain from the Mexican Government under which they expected to fall when the line between the two Republics should be run, a title to their lands. that in passing through the Country he discovered no wish on the part of the citizens to violate the laws, but all appeared disposed to remain under the Government & jurisdiction of the United States, but were anxious that the line should be run; that they might know to which government they belong. That from every information your committee can obtain they believe they are justifiable in saying that no armed force collected, nor did the Citizens, with the exception of a few who claim protection under the Government of Texas, shew any apparent disposition to engage in any enterprise against the Indians, in violation of the laws of the United States - That from the present situation of our Southwestern frontier it is obvious that our citizens in that quarter have frequent cause of excitement and alarm owing to their exposed condition - bounded on one side by an indefinite line between them & the Republic of Mexico whose civil jurisdiction does not extend to that portion of their Territory - On the other by an extensive Indian boundary within which reside, several tribes. viz. Shawnees Delawares, Kickapoos & Cherokees, in strength from three, to five thousand Warriors - beyond them are the Osages and Camanches two powerful tribes, who are frequently at variance with the whites That the settlements on this frontier are sparse, consequently

the People are unable to protect themselves from the invads of those Indians, and require the protection of the General Government.

Your Committee deem it necessary for the Security of that Frontier, that an additional Military force should be Stationed at Fort Towson, & would therefore recommend that the President of the United States be memorialized on the Subject.

On Motion of Mr Farrelly

Ordered that the said Report with the accompanying Papers be refered to the Committee on Memorials —

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Johnson informing the Council that the House have passed a bill entitled "An act to apportion the debts due by the County of Phillips between the Counties of Phillips & St. Francis" ask the Concurrence of the Council in the same —
the bill was taken up and read a first time and Ordered to a 2d reading —

The bill entitled "An act supplementary to an act excempting from Execution certain articles of personal property" was taken up and read a 2d time & On Motion of Mr Litchfield Committed to a committee of the whole & made the order of the day for tomorrow.

The bill entitled "An act for the relief of Izard County" was taken up & read a 2d time & On Motion of Mr Litchfield, refered to a Select Committee, consisting of Messrs Litchfield, Wolf & Humphries -

The bill entitled "An act changing the mode of summoning Grand & Petit Jurors" was taken up & read 2d time & committed to a committee of the whole & made the order of this day for tomorrow.

The bill entitled "An act to locate the Seat of Justice of the County of St. Francis was read a 2d time & On motion of Mr Clark the rules of the Council were dispensed with & the Bill read a 3d time on its final passage and Passed.

The bill entitled "An act to locate the Seat of Justice in Crawford County" was taken up & read a second time, & On motion of Mr Willard the rules of the Council were dispensed with & the bill read a third time on its final passage & Passed.

The bill entitled "An act supplementary to an act passed at the Session of 1825 under title of an act supplementary to an act for the recovery of small debts" was taken up & read a second time & Committed to a committee of the whole & made the order of the day for Monday next.

On Motion of Mr Hogan The rules of the Council were dispensed with & leave granted to him to introduce a bill entitled "An act to define the Northwestern boundary of Conway County" which was read a first time & ordered to a 2d reading

Mr Willard gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a bill to be entitled "An act supplementary to the law allowing persons to swear to their accounts under Ten dollars" & also an act for the punishment of Adultery -

A Message from the House of Representatives informing the Council, that the House have passed a bill entitled "An act regulating the Judicial System of the Territory of Arkansas" & send the same to the Council for Concurrence & also a bill entitled "An act to locate the permanent Seat of Justice for the County of Lafayette"

The Council Resolved into committee of the whole Mr Fowler in the Chair on the bill entitled "An act further defining the duties of Clerks" after some consideration of the Bill the committee rose & reported the same with amendments which were agreed to & the Bill Ordered to be Engrossed & read a 3d time on its final passage On Monday —

The Council Resolved into committee of the whole Mr Wolf in the Chair on the bill entitled "An act to repeal the third section of an act Supplementary to the several laws now in force regulating the fiscal concerns of this Territory" after some consideration of the Bill the committee rose & reported the same with amendments, which was agreed to & Ordered to be Engrossed and read 3d time on its final passage On Monday —

Mr Farrelly gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a bill entitled "An act for the relief of the Sheriff of "Arkansas County"

The bill from the House of Representatives entitled "An act regulating the Judicial System of the Territory of Arkansas" was taken & read the first time & ordered to a 2d reading.

The bill from the House of Representatives entitled "An act to locate the permanent seat of Justice in the County of Lafayette" was taken up & read the first time & ordered to a 2d reading.

On Motion of Mr Farrelly

The Council Resolved, into committee of the whole Mr Rogers in the Chair on the Report of the committee on the Auditor & Treasurer books" there being no amendments the committee rose & reported, & was discharged from the further consideration

thereof.

On Motion of Mr Farrelly, Ordered that so much of the said Report as relates to costs in Criminal Prosecutions, be referred to the committee of Ways & Means —

— So much as relates to inspecting the Militia & storage &c of Public Arms be referred to the Standing Committee on the Militia —

— — So much as relates to Public printing to a Select committee, consisting of Mess^rs Farrelly Hogan & Clark, —

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Johnson, informing the Council that the House of Reps have passed a bill entitled "An Act supplementary to an act concerning administrations" and ask the concurrence of the Council —

The bill was read the first time & Ordered to a 2^d reading —

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Bean informing the Council that the House of Reps. have passed a bill entitled "An act appointing Commissioners to superintend the building of a Court House in the Town of Little Rock for the benefit of the citizens of the County of Pulaski" and ask the concurrence of the Council —

The bill was read the first time & Ordered to a second Reading —

On Motion of Mr. Clark — Resolved That the Council rescind the resolution adopted that no bill shall be introduced after the 20^th of this month — Resolved further that after the 25 of this month, no bill shall be introduced into this house —

And the Council adjourned to 10 O'clock Tomorrow morning —

Saturday October 20th 1827

The Legislative Council met pursuant to adjournment -

Mr Litchfield from the Select Committee to whom was refered the bill entitled "An act for the relief of Dyer County" Reported, that according to order the committee have had the same under consideration & after an examination of the law creating the County of Dyer Report against the bill & therefore ask leave to be discharged from the further consideration thereof.

On Motion of Mr Litchfield the Council agreed to the Report of the committee -

Mr Hogan from the Select committee to whom was refered the bill entitled "an act supplementary to an act regulating elections" Reported that they had carefully examined the laws on that subject & are of opinion that no alterations are necessary & therefore report against the bill - and On Motion of Mr Hogan the Council agreed to the Report of the Committee -

Mr Farrelly from the Standing Committee on the Militia made the following Report - That according to order they have had the Militia Laws of this Territory under consideration, and after a careful examination of the same they deem the office of Brigade Inspector one which if continued will absorb a large portion of our Public revenue, and from past experience believe little benefit is to be derived from it in the organization of the Militia, That in the opinion of the committee a rigorous enforcement of the Militia laws of this Territory would greatly burthen the people & ought not to be indulged further than may be necessary for the classification & organization, so far as may be necessary to obtain the strength thereof. Your committee would therefore ask leave to bring

in a bill to abolish the office of Brigade Inspector - the Bill was then read the 1st time & ordered to a 2d reading -

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A Message from the House of Repts by Mr Ringgold informing the Council that the House have passed the bill from the Council entitled "an act permanently to locate the seat of Justice of Conway County" and also a bill entitled "An act authorising the Circuit Courts to appoint additional Constables" and also a Memorial to the Congress of the United States on the subject of the graduation in the price of public lands" and ask the Concurrence of the Council" the memorial was taken up & read 1st time & ordered to a second reading

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On Motion of Mr Farrelly the bill from the House of Representatives entitled "An act authorising the Circuit Courts to appoint additional Constables" was taken up & read the first time & Rejected.

Agreeably to notice previously given Mr Barfield asked & obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An act further to regulate the Fiscal Concerns of this Territory" which was read a first time & ordered to a 2d reading -

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Agreeably to notice previously given Mr Dillard asked & obtained leave to introduce a Bill entitled "An act for the punishment of adultery" which was read a first time & ordered to a 2d reading

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Mr Clark gave notice that he would on ~~Saturday~~ Monday next ask leave to introduce a bill for the relief of the Coroner of Phillips County"

Agreeably to notice previously given Mr Farrelly asked & obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An act for the relief of the Sheriff of Arkansas County" which was read the 1st time & ordered to a 2d reading -

The bill entitled "An act to apportion the debt due by the County of Phillips between the Counties of Phillips & St Francis" was taken up & read a second time & committed to a committee of the whole and made the order of the day for Monday next.

The bill entitled "An act regulating the Judicial System of the Territory of Arkansas" was taken up & read a 2d time, Mr Farrelly moved to commit the bill for Monday next which motion the Council overruled - Mr Farrelly then offered an amendment to the 3d Section of the bill relative to the times of holding the Courts in the Fourth Circuit, & the yeas & nays being called for on the amendment, were as follows Yeas Messrs Dillard, Farrelly & Hogan - Nays Messrs Barfield - Clark - Fowler Humphreys Kuykendall Litchfield, Pennington Wolf Weir & President - and the amendment was Rejected. On Motion of Mr Clark the rules of the Council were dispensed with & the yeas & nays being called for on dispensing with the rules were as follows Yeas Messrs Barfield - Clark, Humphreys, Kuykendall Litchfield Pennington Wolf & Weir - Nays Messrs Dillard Fowler, Farrelly Hogan & President - and the Bill was read a third time on its final passage, & the yeas & nays being called for on the final passage of the Bill were as follows viz. Yeas Messrs Barfield - Clark - Fowler - Farrelly Humphreys Kuykendall, Litchfield, Pennington Wolf, Weir & President - Nays Messrs Dillard & Hogan - and the Bill was - Passed.

A Message from the House of Representatives informing the Council that the House of Reps have passed the bill from the Council entitled "An act defining the Northwestern boundary of the County of Pulaski" with an amendment and also that they have passed a bill entitled "An act concerning Dams" and ask the Council to concur in the same.

On Motion of Mr Hogan the Council disagree to the amendment made by the House of Representatives to the bill entitled "An act defining the North=western boundary of the County of Pulaski"

The bill from the House of Reps entitled "An act Concerning Dams" was taken up and read the first time ordered to a second reading

A Message from the Governor informing the Council that he has approved & signed the following Acts passed by the General Assembly viz: "An act permanently to locate the Seat of Justice for the County of Lawrence."
- "An act for the relief of persons who have purchased lands at the late Sales in the different Counties of this Territory supposing them to be military Bounty lands, which had been otherwise appropriated
- "An act concerning certain executors & administrators in the County of Izard.
- "An act to repeal an act passed at the Session of 1825, entitled an act in amendment to the act relative to writs of Certiorari"
- "An act repealing an act supplementary to the several laws regulating the collection of taxes".
- An act supplementary to an act for the regulation of the Town of Little Rock & for other purposes, approved Oct 27th 1825."
- An act supplementary to the several laws concerning roads"

The bill entitled "An act to define the Northwestern boundary of Conway County" was taken up and read a second time on Motion of Mr Logan Ordered to be engrossed read a third time on its final Passage on Monday

The bill entitled "An act supplementary to an act Concerning Administrations" was taken up and read a second time & committed to a Committee of the whole and made the order of the day for Monday next-

The bill entitled "An act to locate the permanent Seat of Justice in the County of Lafayette" was taken up & read a second time & committed to a committee of the whole & made the Order of the day for Monday next-

The bill entitled "An act appointing Commissioners to superintend the building of a Court House in the Town of Little Rock for the benefit of the Citizens of the County of Pulaski" was taken up & read a 2d time & On Motion of Mr Barfield Committed to a Committee of ~~the whole & made the Order of the day for~~ Tuesday next-

The Council resolved into Committee of the whole Mr Dillard in the Chair on the bill entitled "An act to exempt from execution certain articles of personal property" after some consideration of the Bill the Committee rose & reported the same without amendments & Ordered to be engrossed and read a third time on its final Passage on Monday

Mr Fowler gave notice that he would on Monday next ask leave to introduce a bill for the relief of Samuel P. Hall

The Council resolved into committee of the whole Mr Farnsly in the chair on the bill entitled "An act changing the mode of summoning Grand & Petit Jurors" after some consideration the committee rose & reported and asked & obtained leave to sit again on Tuesday next.

And the Council adjourned to 10 Oclock on Monday Morning next.

Monday October 22d. 1827.

The Legislative Council met pursuant to adjournment

Mr Clark from the Committee of Ways & Means to whom was refered so much of the Governors Message as relates to patented lands Report that having examined the law regulating the collection of taxes on Patented lands they are constrained to say that in their opinion several material alterations are necessary, while the committee cannot believe that an extension of the time of redemption is necessary or politic, neither do they believe the appointment of a receiver for the taxes on this kind of property necessary. they cannot believe that either of the above measures would put an end to the Complaints of non residents. the Committee however believe that all purchasers should be compelled to appoint agents living at or near the places where the sales are made with Power to receive the taxes from the original owner, or the lawful agent of the Original Owner. Your Committee further recommend the passage of a law allowing lands stricken off to the Territory for want of bidders to be redeemable at any time within five years after they are sold, This would at once bring a considerable amount of funds into the treasury. The policy is a liberal one, and ought in the opinion of the Committee to be adopted. The Committee believe that personal property ought not to be subjected

to the execution for the taxes on lands pur=
=chased at the late sales. Experience has
proven that the purchasers of lands for taxes
can evade the payment of taxes on the same.
Your committee believe that if the lands thus
purchased were alone liable for the taxes, a
fewer number of tracts would hereafter be struck
off to the Territory for want of bidders. The
Committee have seen with pleasure the progress
of a bill to effect the most of the objects herein
recommended & believe that its passage would
be productive of many and lasting advantages
to the Territory —

A Message from Governor informing the Council
that he had approved and signed the following
bills, viz. "An act to locate the seat of Justice
in Crawford County"
"An act to locate the seat of Justice of the
County of St. Francis"

A Message from Governor as follows, viz.
To the General Assembly of the Territory of Arkansas.
Fellow Citizens, Experience has shown that the
provisions of the "Act supplementary to an act relative
to Justices of the Peace, passed October 30, 1823."
are insufficient to deter many individuals from
committing Breaches of the Peace. I recommend a
revision of that act, and suggest that the maximum
of the fine be extended. Ark. Terry October 20 1827.
Geo. Izard.
On motion of Mr. Clark, the same is referred to
a Select committee, consisting of Messrs. Pennington
Humphreys and Fowler.

Mr. Weir gave notice that he would on
tomorrow ask leave to introduce a bill to regulate
trials before Justices of the peace —

Mr. Litchfield gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a bill to be entitled "An act to repeal the law allowing 10 per cent interest on Judicial contracts -

Mr. Clark, gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a bill further to extend the power of the Commissioners to be elected to locate the Seat of Justice for St. Francis County"

The Memorial to the Congress of the United States on subject of reduction of the price in Public Lands was taken up and read a second time & ordered to a third reading on its final passage tomorrow.

The bill entitled "An act to abolish the office of Brigade Inspector" was taken up and read a 2d time and ordered to be read a third time tomorrow on its final passage -

The bill entitled "An act further to regulate the fiscal concerns of this Territory" was taken up read a second time & committed to a committee of the whole and made the order of the day for tomorrow.

The bill entitled "An act to punish adultery" was taken up and read a second time and com= =mitted to a committee of the whole & made the order of the day for tomorrow.

The bill entitled "An act for the relief of the Sheriff of Arkansas County" was taken up and read a second time, and Ordered to be read a third time tomorrow on its final passage

The bill entitled "An act Concerning Jurors" was taken up and read a second time, and ordered to be read a third time tomorrow on its final passage.

A Message from House of Representatives by Mr Bean informing the Council that the House of Reps have passed the bill from the Council entitled "An act to locate the seat of Justice of Lovely County & for other purposes" with amendments and ask the Concurrence of the Council therein -

On Motion of Mr Dillard the Council disagreed to the amendment made by the House of Reps to the 1st Section of the bill, & agreed to the one made to the 9th Section - & the same was returned to the House

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The bill entitled "An act further defining the duties of Clerks", was taken up & read a third time on its final passage & Passed.

A Message from House of Representatives by Mr Wilson informing the Council that the House of Representatives have receded from the amendment made by them to the bill from the Council entitled "An act to define the Northwestern boundary line of the County of Pulaski"

The bill entitled "An act Supplementary to an act to exempt from execution certain articles of personal property" was taken up read a third time, when Mr McA moved to lay the bill on the table until the 29th of Feby next, & the yeas & nays being called for were as follows viz: Yeas Messrs Clark - Fowler, Kuykendall, Wolf, Weir & President - Nays Messrs Barfield Dillard - Farrelly - Humphreys Hogan Litchfield & Pennington the question was then taken on the final passage of the Bill, & the yeas & nays being called for were as follows viz. Yeas Messrs Farrelly Humphreys, Hogan Litchfield, & Pennington - Nays Messrs Barfield, Clark, Dillard, Fowler, Kuykendall Wolf, Weir & President - and the bill was Rejected.

The bill entitled "An act to repeal the third section of an act supplementary to the several laws now in force regulating the fiscal concerns of this Territory" was taken up and read a third time on its final Passage, and the yeas & nays being called for were as follows viz. Yeas - Messrs Barfield - Dillard - Fowler Farnsly - Humphreys Morgan Story Randall Litchfield Pennington Wolf, Weir & President - Says Mr Clark - and the bill was Passed.

The bill entitled "An act to define the North-Western boundary of Conway County" was taken up and read a third time on its final Passage & Passed

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Agreeably to notice previously given Mr Fowler asked & obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An act for the relief of Samuel S. Hall, which was read a first time ordered to a second reading -

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Agreeably to notice previously given Mr Dillard asked & obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An act amendatory to an act supplementary to the several laws now in force in this Territory for the recovery of small debts before a Justice of the Peace." which was read a first time ordered to a second reading -

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A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Rutherford informing the Council that the House have passed the bill from the Council entitled "An act preventing Constables from executing & selling negro Slaves under execution & for other purposes"

The Council resolved into committee of the Whole Mr Barfield in the Chair on the bill Entitled "An act to locate the permanent Seat of Justice in the County of Lafayette" after some consideration of the bill the Committee rose & reported the same with amendments, which were agreed to ~~& ordered to~~ the bill read a third time & Passed Sent to the House of Reps for concurrence -

The Council resolved into committee of the whole Mr Farrelly in the chair on the bill entitled "An act to apportion the debt due by the County of Phillips between the counties of Phillips and St: Francis" after some consider=ation of the bill the committee rose & reported the same without amendments, & On Motion of Mr Farrelly read a third time on its final passage & Passed.

The Council resolved into committee of the whole Mr Royston in the Chair on the bill Entitled "An act supplementary to an act passed 1825 under title of an act supplementary to an act for the recovery of small debts" after some consid=eration the committee rose & reported the bill without amendments - On Motion of Mr Farrelly the bill was indefinitely postponed

The Council resolved into committee of the whole Mr Humphreys in the Chair on the bill entitled "An act supplementary to an act Concerning Administrations" after some consideration of the bill the committee rose & reported the same with some amendments, which were agreed to & the bill read a third time & Passed Sent to the House of Reps for Concurrence -

And the Council adjourned to 10 Oclock tomorrow

Tuesday October 25th 1837.

The Legislative Council met pursuant to adjournment.

Agreeably to notice previously given Mr Clark, asked & obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An act further extending the power of the Commissioners to be elected to locate the seat of Justice of St. Francis County" which was read the first time & ordered to a second reading —

Agreeably to notice previously given Mr Weir, asked & obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An act further to regulate trials before Justices of the Peace" which was read a first time & ordered to a second reading

Agreeably to notice previously given Mr Litchfield asked & obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An act to repeal so much of the laws as allows 10 per cent interest in certain cases" which was read a first time & ordered to a second reading.

The bill entitled "An act for the relief of Samuel S. Hall," was taken up and read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole & made the Order of the day for tomorrow.

The bill entitled "An act amendatory to an act supplementary to the several laws now in force in this Territory for the recovery of small debts before a Justice of the Peace" was taken up & read a second time & committed to a Committee of the whole and made the order of the day for tomorrow —

Mr Fowler gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a bill entitled "An act to locate the Seat of Justice of Miller County"

The Memorial to the Congress of the United States On the Subject of the graduation in the price of Public lands was taken up and read a third time & Passed.

The bill entitled "An act for the relief of the Sheriff of Arkansas County" was taken up & read a third time & Passed.

The bill entitled "An act to abolish the Office of Brigade Inspector" was taken up and read a third time & Passed.

The bill entitled "An act concerning Slaves" was taken up and read a third time & Passed.

A Message from the House of Reps informing the Council that the House have passed "a Memorial On the subject of the Raft of Red River" and ask the concurrence of the Council in the same

The Memorial was read a first time & ordered to a second reading

Mr Wolf Presented a Petition signed by Abraham Woods & 32 and County, which is referred to a Select Committee consisting of Messrs Wolf ~~Satterfield~~ and Dillard —

The Council resolved into committee of the whole Mr Weir in the Chair On the bill entitled "An act Changing the mode of Summoning Grand & Petit Jurors" On motion of Mr Clark the 1st Section with the enacting clause was stuck out of the bill the Committee rose and reported the amendment which was agreed to by the Council and the bill was Rejected.

On motion of Mr Dillard, Ordered that a Select Committee be appointed to take into consideration the Existing gambling institutions & Messrs Dillard, Horgan

and Clark are appointed said committee —

The Council resolved into Committee of the whole Mr Clark in the Chair on the bill entitled "An act to punish adultery" after some consideration the committee rose & reported the bill with amendments which were agreed to, and On Motion of Mr Farrelly recommitted to a committee of the whole made the Order of the day for tomorrow.

A Message from the Governor informing the Council that he had approved and Signed the following bills viz "An act permanently to locate the Seat of Justice in the County of Clark" also "An Act permanently to locate the Seat of Justice for the County of Conway"

The Council resolved into committee of the whole Mr Litchfield in the Chair on the bill entitled "An act further to regulate the fiscal concerns of this Territory" after some Consideration of the bill the committee rose & reported the same with amendments, which were agreed to & On Motion of Mr Burfield Ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time to morrow on its final Passage

The Council resolved into Committee of the whole Mr Wolf, in the Chair on the bill entitled "An act appointing Commissioners to superintend the building of a Court House at Little Rock for the use of the Citizens of Pulaski" after some Consideration of the bill, the Committee rose and reported the same with some amendments, which were agreed to, and On Motion of Mr Fagan the bill was read a third time & passed Sent to House of Repts

Mr Weir gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a bill to be entitled "An act to regulate Cost in certain cases."

A Message from the House of Representatives informing the Council that the House have passed a Memorial to Congress in relation to the appointment of a fourth judge of the Superior Court & to change the Organic Law taking from said Courts Original jurisdiction, which is sent to the Council for Concurrence -- and that the house have agreed to the amendments proposed by this Council to the bill to locate the Seat of Justice in the County of Lafayette, & to the amendment to the Amendatory "act supplementary to an act Concerning administrations"

The Memorial from House of Reps on subject of the appointment of a Fourth Judge was taken up and read a first time & Ordered to a Second reading -

And the Council adjourned to 10 Oclock tomorrow morning -

Wednesday October 24th 1827.

The Legislative Council met pursuant to adjournment -

Mr Barfield from the Select Committee to whom was referred so much of the Governors Message as relates to obtaining a loan sufficient to redeem the amount of Scrip outstanding, Report that they have had that subject under Consideration, and much lament the great depreciation of the only circulating medium of the Territory & they are ready to believe that the redemption of the amount now in circulation, would effect a temporary increase in the value of that which may be hereafter issued. but when they come to a full investigation

of the subject they are not able to draw a very striking contrast between a debt due by the People to the Treasury & a debt due to an individual - Your Committee are therefore constrained to recur to the economy, which is necessary in an individual, which should always when properly directed, as we humbly conceive, should always apportion his disbursements to his sources of revenue. So also in a government - And we cannot consent to assert the a policy which would go only to increase the amt. of public debt already too large - Therefore your Committee are of the Opinion that the only justifiable means of redeeming the public debt without increasing the burthens of Taxation, which your committee would most sincerely deprecate, is to adopt by all possible and practicable means, such a System of retrenchments as that the public revenue shall be sufficient to meet the public expences of the government.

Agreeably to notice previously given Mr Weir asked & obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An act to regulate Costs in certain cases" which was read a first time ordered to a second reading -

Agreeably to notice previously given Mr Fowler asked & obtained leave to introduced a bill entitled "An act to locate the Seat of Justice of Miller County" which was read a first time & ordered to a second reading

"The Memorial to the Congress of the United States on the subject of the appointment of a fourth Judge of Superior Court" was taken up and read a second time & committed to a committee of the whole and made the order of this day -

The Memorial on the subject of the Raft of Red River was taken up and read a second & third times & Passed.

A Message from the Governor " to the General Assembly of Arkansas -

The Executive officers in several of the United States for the Territory of Michigan have transmitted from time to time the printed proceedings of their respective Legislatures to me, as Governor of this Territory. I recommend to you a reciprocity of this courtesy & that the Executive here be authorized to send to said States & Territory copies of the acts of our General Assembly "

Act. 24. 1827.

Geo. Izard

A Message from the Governor informing the Council that he has approved & signed the following Acts viz. "An act regulating the Judicial System of the Territory of Arkansas"

"An act preventing constables from executing & selling negro slaves under execution & for other purposes"

"An act to locate the Seat of Justice in Lovely County & for other purposes"

"An act to apportion the debt due by the County of Phillips between the Counties of Phillips & St. Francis"

"An act defining the North Western boundary of the County of Pulaski"

The bill entitled "An Act further extending the power of the Commissioners to be elected to locate the Seat of Justice of St Francis County" was taken up and read a second time ordered to be engrossed and read a third time tomorrow on its final passage

The bill entitled "An act further to regulate trials before a Justice of the Peace" was read a 2d time & committed to a committee of the whole & made the order of the day for tomorrow.

The bill entitled "An act to repeal so much of the law as allows 10 per cent interest for certain Cases." was read a 2d time & Committed to a committee of the whole & made the Order of the day for tomorrow.

The bill entitled "An act supplementary to the Revenue laws regulating the Fiscal Concerns of this Territory" was read the third time on its final passage & Passed.

The Council resolved into Committee of the whole Mr Humphreys in the Chair on the bill entitled "An act for the relief of Samuel D. Hall," after some consideration the Committee rose & reported the bill without amendment. On Motion of Mr ~~Clark~~, the bill was referred to a Select Committee, Consisting of Messrs Clark Fowler & Farrelly -

A Message from the House of Reps by Mr Wilson informing the Council that the House have passed a Memorial to Congress on the subject of a road from the Mouth of White River to the Post of Washington by the way of the Village of Arkansas" and send the same for concurrence

The Memorial was read a first time & Ordered to a second reading.

A Message from House of Representatives by Mr Clark informing the Council that the House have passed a bill entitled "An act to locate the Seat of Justice of Miller County" and send the same for concurrence.

The bill was read the first time & on Motion of Mr Fowler Ordered to lie on the table.

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Montgomery informing the Council that the House have passed the bill from the Council entitled "an act defining the Northwestern boundary line of Conway County" And that they have also passed the following bills. viz "An act for the relief of Silas T. Jourdan & others" "An act for the relief of the Sheriff of Izard & Conway Counties" "An act to repeal an act allowing interest on Territorial Scrip" "An act to dissolve the bonds of matrimony

heretofore contracted between Daniel Hill and Margaret Hill" and ask the Concurrence of the Legislative Council.

The bill was taken up and severally read the first time ordered to a second reading

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Hubbspeth informing the Council that the House have Passed the bills from the Council entitled "An act to abolish the office of Brigade Inspector" & the bill entitled "An act for the relief of the Sheriff of Arkansas County"

Mr Humphreys presented the Petition of Mathias Mock of Lawrence County praying for a divorce of Margaret Hill from her husband Daniel M Hill". Ordered to lie on the table.

The Council resolved into Committee of the whole Mr Hanly in the chair on the bill entitled "An act amendatory to an act supplementary to the several laws now in force in this Territory for the recovery of small debts" On Motion of Mr Hogan the 1st Section with the enacting clause was struck out of the bill & the Committee rose and reported the amendments which were agreed to and the bill was Rejected.

The Council resolved into Committee of the whole Mr Hogan in the chair on the bill entitled "An act to punish adultery" after some time spent in the consideration of the bill the committee rose and reported the same with some amendments, which were agreed to & the Bill ordered to be engrossed & read a third time tomorrow on its final Passage.

The Council resolved into Committee of the whole Mr Weir in the Chair on the Memorial to Congress on subject of a Fourth Judge to the Superior Court &c" after some time spent in the consideration thereof the Committee rose & reported the Memorial with some amendments which were agreed to & the Memorial passed & sent to the House of Reps for Concurrence

Mr Burfield gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a bill to be entitled "An act supplementary to an act supplementary to the Several laws of this Territory defining the powers & duties of Justices of the Peace in matters of a civil nature & for other purposes"

Also a bill to be entitled "An act to abolish the Office of Prosecuting Attornies"

And the Council adjourned to 10 Oclock tomorrow morning!

Thursday October 25th 1827.

The Legislative Council met pursuant to adjournment

Mr Willard from the Select committee to whom was refered the Petition of Abraham Wood of Izard County Reported that the committee have had the same under consideration and are of opinion that the Legislature have not the power to act in Compliance with the prayer of the Petitioner.

Agreeably to notice previously given Mr Warfield asked & obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An act supplementary to an act supplementary to the Several laws of this Territory defining the powers and duties of Justices of the Peace in matters of a civil nature & for other purposes" which was read a first time & ordered to a second reading.

Mr Farrilly from select committee to whom was refered the bill entitled "An act for the relief of Samuel S. Hall" Reported, that according to order they have had the same under Consideration, and on examination of the subject & reference to the Territorial Auditor find that the Sum for which relief is called for in the Bill, has been since the introduction of said Bill settled under the existing laws. Therefor no relief is necessary - and Report against the Bill, On Motion of Mr Farrilly the Council Concurred in the Report of the Committee & the Bill was Rejected

Agreeably to notice previously given Mr Barfield asked & obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled "An act abolishing the Office of Prosecuting Attorney" which was read a first time & ordered to a 2nd reading -

The Memorial to Congress on the subject of a Road from Merritts to White River by the Village of Arkansas to the Post of Washitaw, was read a 2d & third time & Passed

The bill entitled "An act to regulate costs in certain cases, was read a Second time & ordered to a 3 reading on its final passage tomorrow -

The bill entitled "An act to relocate the Seat of Justice of Miller County" was read a Second time, & On motion of Mr Farrilly refered to a Select committee, together with the Bill from the House of Representatives, & Messrs Farrilly, Fowler & Pennington are appointed said Committee,

The bill entitled "An act for the relief of Silas P. Toncray & others" was read a second time & ordered to a third reading & final Passage tomorrow.

The bill entitled "An act for the relief of the Sheriffs of Bland and Monroy Counties" was read a second time ordered to a 3d reading & final passage tomorrow.

The bill entitled "An act to repeal an act allowing interest on Territorial Scrip" was read a second time & ordered to a third reading & final passage tomorrow.

The bill entitled "An act to dissolve the bonds of matrimony heretofore contracted between Ignes M. Hill and Margarett Hill" was read a second time & ordered to a third reading and final passage tomorrow

The bill entitled "An act to punish Adultery" was taken up and read a third time on its final passage & Passed.

The bill entitled "An act further extending the power of the Commissioners to be elected to locate the Seat of Justice in the County of St. Francis" was taken up and read a third time on its final passage & Passed.

The Council resolved into Committee of the whole Mr Barfield in the Chair on the bill entitled "An act to repeal so much of the law as allows 10 per cent interest in certain cases" after some time spent in consideration of the Bill, the Committee rose and reported the same with some amendments, which were agreed to and the Bill read a third time on its final passage & Passed.

The Council resolved into Committee of the Whole Mr Pennington in the chair on the bill entitled An act further to regulate suits before Justices of the Peace" after some time spent in the consideration of the Bill the Committee rose and reported the same with some

amendments, which are agreed to and and the bill read a third time on its final passage & Passed.

A Message from the House of Repts by Mr Beach informing the Council that the House have passed the bill from the Council entitled "An act further defining the duties of Clerks" with some amendments, and ask the Concurrence of the Council -

On Motion of Mr Farrelly The Council disagreed to all the amendments made by the House of Representatives to said bill, and Messrs Farrelly - Dillard & Clark are appointed a committee of Conference Simple, to take the same under Consideration

On Motion of Mr Barfield Ordered that the Message of the Governor on the Subject of distributing the laws to the several States & Territories of the Union, be referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Messrs Barfield, Pennington & Hogan —

Mr Farrelly from the Standing Committee on the Militia - Reported a bill entitled "An act supplementary to the laws of this State regulating the Militia" - which was read a first time Ordered to a second reading -

Mr Dillard from Select committee, reported a bill entitled "An act to misc Gambling institutions" which was read a first time Ordered to a second reading -

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Wilson informing the Council that the House have passed the following bills viz "An act supplementary to an act regulating the collection of taxes on Military Bounty Lands" &

"An act allowing compensation to the Members of the present General Assembly & their Officers" and ask the Concurrence of the Council therein

The bills was severally read a first time & ordered to a second reading -

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A Message from the Governor informing the Council that he has approved and signed the following acts passed by the General Assembly viz "An act supplementary to an act concerning Administrations" "An act concerning Divorces" "An act to locate the permanent Seat of Justice in the County of Lafayett"

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Montgomery informing the Council that the House have passed a Resolution as follows and ask the Concurrence of the Council viz.

Resolved that the Governor of the Territory of Arkansas be requested to transmit at the cost of the Territory, copies of the several acts passed by the General Assembly of the Territory since the organization of our Territorial Government to the several States & Territories of the Union.

On Motion of Mr Hamilly the Resolution was adopted -

Mr Hamilly from the Select Committee to whom was referred the bill entitled "An act to locate the Seat of Justice of Miller County" Reported the same with some amendments which were agreed to by the Council and the bill ordered to be engrossed & read a 3d time tomorrow on its final passage -

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And the Council adjourned to 10 O'Clock Tomorrow Morning

Mr Hogan from the Committee on Memorials Reported a Memorial to Congress on the subject of a reservation of land to James Scull under the Dunpan Treaty which was read the 1st time & adopted - Sent to House of Repts for Concurrence -

And the Council Adjourned to 10 Oclock tomorrow morning -

Friday October 26th 1827.

The Legislative Council met pursuant to adjournment -

Mr Barfield from the Committee to whom was refer the Governors Message on subject of distributing the laws to the several States & Territories made Report that they have had the same under Consideration according to Order, and are highly sensible of the great importance which must necessarily result to the United States and Territories by a free, and friendly intercourse, and interchange of ideas and sentiments upon the Science of Government & upon all other subjects which are interesting to the happiness of the American People. The Committee view with much pleasure the fair prospect of a rapid increase of the Population of our infant Territory. & fondly flatter themselves that the time is not far distant when we shall assume our rank amongst the States of the Union. The fertile land which has been acquired to this Territory by the liberal extension of the System of Internal improvements, which when completed will furnish such avenues and inlets to the interior, that most of the present obstacles to the emigrants will vanish.

The Committee have witnessed with pleasure the passage of a resolution requesting the Governor to reciprocate the civilities extended to us by the Governor

States Territories of the Union Authorising them to send to them copies of the Acts of our General Assembly —

Mr Pawlly from the Committee of Conference to whom was referred the Bill (and amendments to the same) entitled "An act further defining the duties of Clerks - made a Report - that according to order they have conferred with the committee from the House of Representatives, and have agreed to strike out the whole of the first amendment except the penalty, which they have agreed to modify. They have also agreed to strike out the whole of the second amendment except the posting up of delinquent lists, and penalty for failure thereof which they have agreed to modify. The bill with amendments have been left with the committee from the House of Representatives to be reported to that House, with the agreements of the Conference.

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Montgomery, informing this Council that Messrs Wilson Ramsey Johnston & Montgomery, have been appointed a committee of conference on the part of that House to take under consideration the Bill (& amendments) entitled "An act further defining the duties of clerks"

And also that they have passed a bill entitled "An act supplementary to an act establishing the office of Prosecuting Attorney" and send the same for the concurrence of this Council, The bill was then read a first time & On motion of Mr Clark the rules of this Council were dispensed with and the Bill read a second time & Committed to a committee of the Whole and made the Order of the day for tomorrow.

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Wilson informing the Council that the House have passed the bill entitled "An act further defining the duties of Clerks" as the same was amended by the Committee of Conference.

On Motion of Mr Farnsly the Council Concurred in the amendments of the bill was read a third time ~~and finally passage~~ & Passed

Mr Clark from the Committee of Ways & Means to whom was referred that part of the Auditor & Treasurers Report which relates to costs in Criminal cases, made Report that upon examination of the laws upon the subject they can find no law defining out of what fund, costs of this kind shall be paid, & would therefore recommend this subject to the Consideration of the Legislature in making appropriation for 1828 & 1829. — On Motion of Mr Clark the Committee was discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The bill entitled "An act supplementary to an act supplementary to the Revenue laws of this Territory defining the powers & duties of Justices of the Peace in matters of a civil nature & for other purposes" was taken up and read a 2d time and Committed to a Committee of the whole & made the order of the day for Tomorrow

The bill entitled "An act abolishing the office of Prosecuting Attorney" was read a second time & committed to a Committee of the whole and made the order of the day for tomorrow.

The bill entitled "An act supplementary to the Laws of this Territory regulating the Militia" was read a 2d time and committed to a committee of the whole and made the order of the day for tomorrow.

The bill entitled "An act to tax Gambling institutions" was taken up and read a second time & Committed to a committee of the whole House the order of the day for tomorrow.

The bill entitled "An act allowing Compensation to the Members of the present General Assembly and their Officers" was read a 2d time & Committed to a committee of the whole House the order of the day for tomorrow.

The bill entitled "An act supplementary to an act regulating the Collection of taxes on Military Bounty Lands" was read a second time & Committed to a committee of the whole House the order of the day for ~~this~~ day.

On Motion of Mr. Farrelly the Report of the Committee of Ways & means on this Subject was Committed to said Committee.

The bill entitled "An act to regulate costs in certain cases" was taken up and read a third time On its final Passage & Passed.

The bill entitled "An act to locate the Seat of Justice of Miller County" was taken up and read a third time, Mr. Farrelly offered an amendment by way of rider to the bill which was agreed to & passed & sent to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

The bill entitled "An act to dissolve the bonds of matrimony heretofore Contracted between Daniel M. Hall & Margaret Hill" was taken up and read a third time On its final Passage & Passed.

The bill entitled "An act to repeal an act allowing interest on Territorial Scrip" was taken up and read a third time - and the Yeas & Nays being called for on the final Passage of the Bill were as follows viz. Yeas - Mess^rs Barfield - Dillard - Fowler & Wolf

Nays Mess^rs Clark - Farrelly - Humphreys Hogan, Kuykendall, Litchfield; Pennington Weir & President -

And the bill was Rejected -

The bill entitled "An act for the relief of Silas T. Tenney & others" was taken up and read a third time on its final Passage & Passed.

The bill entitled "An act for the relief of the Sheriff of Bzant & County Court" was taken up and read a third time - Mr Farrelly offered an amendment to the bill which was agreed to & the same was Passed and sent to the House of Representatives for Concurrence -

A message from the House of Rep^s by Mr Kingwood informing the Council that the House have agreed to the amendments made by the Council to the bill entitled "An act for the relief of the Sheriff of Bzant & County" And also that they agree to the amendments have Passed the bill from the Council entitled "An act to locate the seat of Justice of Miller County" with an amendment, and ask the Concurrence of the Council therein -

And also that they have Passed the Memorial to Congress on the subject of the Grant of land to Canes Scull under the Chickasaw Treaty" also the bill entitled

"An act to punish adultery" also "An act further to regulate trials before a Justice of the Peace".

On Motion of Mr Farrelly the Council agreed to the amendment made by the House of Representatives to the bill entitled "An act to locate the Seat of Justice of Miller County"

On Motion of Mr Farrelly the Council Resolved into Committee of the whole Mr Barfield in the Chair on the bill entitled "An act supplementary to an act regulating the collection of taxes On Military Bounty Lands" after some time Consideration spent in Committee rose reported the bill with sundry amendments, which were agreed to, & the bill read a third time & passed & sent to the House of Reps for concurrence.

And the Council Adjourned to 10 O'clock tomorrow morning

Saturday October 27th 1827.

The Legislative Council met pursuant to adjournment.

On Motion of Mr Farrelly the Council resolved into Committee of the Whole Mr Barfield in the Chair on the bill entitled "An act supplementary to an act regulating the collection of taxes on Military bounty Lands" after some time spent in consideration thereof the Committee rose reported the bill with sundry amendments, which were agreed to, & the bill read a third time & passed & sent to the House of Reps for concurrence.

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Wilson informing the Council that the House have passed the following bills viz. "An act making an appropriation for the years 1828 & 1829."
"An act limiting the time that suits shall be brought for the recovery of lands" "An act amendatory to an act entitled an act supplementary to the Revenue laws concerning Slaves" and send the same for the Concurrence of the Council

Also that they have appointed Messrs Ringgold & Montgomery a Committee to act in conjunction with such Committee as may be appointed by the Council to wait on the Governor to inform him that the Legislature will be ready to adjourn on Monday

The bills were severally read the first time & Ordered to a Second reading

A Message from the Governor informing the Council that he has approved & signed the following acts passed by the General Assembly viz.
"An act further extending the powers of the Commissioners to be elected to locate the Seat of Justice in the County of St. Francis"
"An act appointing Commissioners to superintend the building of a Court House in the Town of Little Rock for the benefit of the Citizens of the County of Pulaski"
"An act supplementary to the Revenue Laws regulating the fiscal concerns of this Territory"
"An act for the relief of the Sheriff of Arkansas County"
"An act to Abolish the Office of Brigade Inspector
"An act to define the Northwestern boundary of Conway County"

The bill entitled "An act abolishing the Office of Prosecuting Attorney" was taken up & on Motion of Mr Clark Ordered to lie on the table.

The Council Resolved into Committee of the whole Mr Fowler in the Chair on the bill entitled "An act supplementary to an act establishing the Office of Prosecuting Attorney" after some time spent in the consideration thereof the Committee rose and reported the bill with amendments which were agreed to & the same Ordered to be engrossed & read a third time on Monday next

The Council Resolved into Committee of the Whole Mr Clark in the Chair, On the bill entitled "An act supplementary to an act supplementary to the several laws of this Territory defining the powers & duties of Justices of the Peace, in matters of a civil nature & for other purposes" after some time spent in the consideration thereof the Committee rose & reported the bill with amendments, which were agreed to by the Council & the same read a third time & Passed, sent to the House of Repr. for concurrence

The Council Resolved into Committee of the whole Mr Humphreys in the Chair on the bill entitled "An act allowing compensation to the Members of the present General Assembly & their Officers" after some consideration of the bill the Committee rose and reported the same with some amendments which were agreed to by the Council, and Ordered to be engrossed and read a third time on Monday next.

The Council Resolved into committee of the whole Mr Humphreys in the Chair on the bill entitled "An act to suppress Gambling institutions" after some consideration thereof the Committee rose & reported the bill with amendments, which were agreed to by the Council, & Ordered to be engrossed and read a third time on Monday next.

The Council Resolved into committee of the whole Mr Dillard in the Chair on the Bill entitled "An act supplementary to the laws of this Territory regulating the Militia" after some consideration of the bill the committee rose & reported the same with amendments, which were agreed to. Ordered to be engrossed & read a third time on Monday —

And the Council adjourned to 10 Oclock on Monday Morning —

Monday October 29th 1827

The Legislative Council met pursuant to adjournment —

The bill entitled "An act making appropriations for the Years 1828 & 1829" was read a 2d time and committed to a committee of the whole & made the Order of the day for tomorrow

The bill entitled "An act limiting the time that Suits shall be brought for the recovery of Land" was read 2d time & committed to a Committee of the whole & made the order of the day for tomorrow.

The bill entitled "An act amendatory to an act entitled "An act supplementary to the several laws Concerning Slaves" was read a 2d time & committed to a Committee of the whole & made the Order of the day for tomorrow —

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Warden informing the Council that the House of Representatives have agreed to the amendments made by the Council to the bill entitled "An act supplementary to an act regulating the Collection of taxes on Military Bounty Lands" —

And the Legislative Council adjourned to 10 Oclock tomorrow morning

Tuesday October 30th 1827.

The Legislative Council met pursuant to adjournment—

A Message from the Governor to the General Assembly of the Territory of Arkansas. Fellow Citizens,

The peculiar circumstances attending the case of divorce, for which you passed the act transmitted to me, induce me though reluctantly, to sanction it. I am still impressed with a conviction that on the sacredity of the Matrimonial Connection depends much of the morality of all Communities;

The bill "to punish the crime of Adultery" would I apprehend be attended with many inconveniencies in its present shape; it would give to malevolence the means of deeply wounding the feelings & happiness of innocent families, and would render our Courts of Justice, theatres in which would be represented scenes of gross indecency and licentiousness. I am therefore withheld my approval

Little Rock October 29th 1827. Geo. Izard

A Message from the Governor informing the Council that he has approved and signed the following Act passed by the Genl Assembly viz "An act for the relief of the Sheriffs of Izard and Conway Counties"

"An act further to regulate trials before Justices of the Peace"

"An act to dissolve the bonds of matrimony heretofore contracted between Israel M. Hill and Margarette Hill"

"An act for the relief of Silas T. Toomy & others."

"An act further defining the duties of Clerks".

The bill entitled "An act supplementary to an act establishing the Office of Prosecuting Attorney" was read a third time and amended & passed and sent to House of Reps for concurrence.

The bill entitled "An act supplementary to an act regulating the Militia" was taken up and read a third time on its final Passage and Passed

The bill entitled "An act to Suppress Gambling Institutions" was taken up and read a third time and the Yeas & Nays being called for on the final Passage of the Bill, were as follows Yeas Mess Barfield, Clark, Dillard, Fowler, Litchfield & President (6) Nays Mess Farrelly, Humphreys, Hogan, Kuykendall, Pennington, Wolf & Weir (7) and the Bill was Rejected

A Message from the House of Representatives informing the Council that the House have passed a Resolution authorizing the Governor to have printed in pamphlet form Six hundred copies of the Acts of the present General Assembly Also a Resolution making an appropriation of One hundred and thirty two dollars for having printed in pamphlet form Six hundred & fifty copies of the Journals of the present General Assembly - and asking the Concurrence of the Council therein. On Motion of Mr Clark the Resolutions were adopted -

On motion of Mr Hogan the Message from the House of Reps informing the Council that a committee had been appointed by that House to wait on the Governor & inform him that the Legislature were ready to adjourn on Monday was taken up & Wednesday inserted in lieu of Monday - & Messrs Hogan & Barfield were appointed a committee on the part of the Council to act in conjunction with the Committee from

the House of Repr. appointed to perform that duty -

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr [redacted] informing the Council that the House of Repr. have concurred with the Council in appointing a committee to wait on the Gov to inform him that the Legislature will be ready to adjourn on Wednesday -

The bill entitled "An act allowing Compensation to the Members of the present General Assembly & their Officers" was taken up and read a 3d time, Mr Wolf offered an Amendment to the first section of the Bill, viz to Strike out "four dollars per day" as compensation to each Member and insert in lieu thereof "three dollars per day" and the Yeas & nays being called for on the amendment are as follows Yeas Messrs Pennington & Wolf Nays Messrs Barfield Clark Lilliard Fowler, Farrelly Humphreys Hogan Kaykendall Litchfield, Weir & President - the question was then taken "Shall the bill pass" and the Bill was Passed & sent to House of Reps for concurrence

The Council Resolved into Committee of the whole Mr Pennington in the Chair on the bill entitled "An act limiting the time that Suits shall be brought for the recovery of Land" - after some Consideration of the Bill the Committee rose & reported the same with amendments which were agreed to & the Bill read a 3d time Passed & sent to the House of Repr for concurrence.

A Message from the House of Repr by Mr Bean informing the Council that the House have Passed the Memorial from the Legislative Council on the subject of the Memphis & Little Rock road" with an amendment

On Motion of Mr Clark, the Council Concurred in the Amendment.

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Johnson informing the Council that the House have passed the bill from the Council Entitled "An act supplementary to an act regulating the Militia" without amendment -

Also that they agree to the amendments made by the Council to the bill entitled "An act supplementary to an act establishing the office of Prosecuting Attorney" Also that they have agreed to the second amendment made by the Council to the bill entitled "An act allowing Compensation to the Members of the present General Assembly & their Officers" and disagreed to the first amendment made to said bill -

Also that they have adopted the "Resolution from the Council authorizing the Treasurer to borrow a sum to cast the Seigh redemed at the Treasury"

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Ringgold informing the Council that the House of Representatives have agreed to the amend= =ments made by the Council to the bill entitled "An act limiting the time that suits shall be brought for the recovery of Land" -

On Motion of Mr Clark the Council receded from the "first" amendment made by them to the bill entitled "An act allowing Compensation to the Members of the present General Assembly & their Officers"

The Council Resolved itself into Committee of the whole Mr Humphreys in the Chair on the bill entitled "An act making appropriations for the years 1828 & 1829 and a part of 1826 & 1827" after some time spent in the consideration of the Bill the Committee rose & reported the same with amendments, which were agreed to by the Council & the same read a third time & passed & sent to the House for concurrence

The Council Resolved itself into Committee of the whole Mr Hogan in the Chair on the Bill entitled "An act supplementary to an act Concerning Slaves" after some Consideration of the Bill the Committee rose & reported the same without amendment and the Bill was read a third time on its final passage & Passed.

Mr Farrelly offered the following Resolution which was adopted by the Council viz Resolved

"Whereas it is represented that James Miles Sheriff of Clark County paid into the Territorial Treasury on the 24 of November 1824 the Sum of Ninety six dollars and Seventy five cents and a Receipt issued for the same which appears to have been mislaid Consequently the said Sheriff cannot have a credit for said amount in Settlement of his accounts with the Auditor Therefore Resolved That the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorised to issue a duplicate receipt to the said Sheriff for the Sum of Ninety six dollars & seventy five cents & that the Auditor be authorised to allow the said Sheriff a credit for the amount in the Settlement of his accounts

Mr Farrelly offered the following Resolution which was adopted by the Council viz

Resolved By the General Assembly of the Territory of Arkansas That the Treasurer of the Territory purchase for the use of the Territory a Stamp or check for the purpose of cutting the Seal ordered at the Treasury - And the Auditor draw a Warrant in his favor on the Territorial Treasury for such sum of Money as may be necessary to procure the same -" and sent to the House of Reps for their Concurrence

A message from the House by Mr Johnson informing the Council that the house have adopted the Resolution

On motion of Mr Clark the vote on the report of the Select Committee to whom was referred the bill entitled "An act for the relief of Samuel D. Hall," was reconsidered by the Council, and the said Report disagreed to and the bill was taken up and read a third time On its final passage & Passed

A Message from the House by Mr Ringgold informing the Council that the House have ~~passed~~ refused to concur in the amendments made by the Council to the bill entitled "An act making appropriations for 1828 & 1829"

On motion of Mr Donnelly the amendments were insisted on by the Council and Messrs Donnelly Dillard & Clark were appointed a Committee of Conference to act in conjunction with the Committee from the House of Reps to take the bill and Amendments into Consideration -

A Message from the House of Reps by Mr Nelson informing the Council that Messrs Chenoweth & Nelson have been appointed a Committee of Conference on the Simple Bill entitled "An act making appropriations for the years 1828 & 1829." -

Mr Donnelly from the Committee of Conference to whom was referred the Bill and amendments Entitled "An act making appropriations for the years 1828 & 1829 and a part of the year 1826 & 1827" Reported that they had conferred on that subject with the Committee from the House of Representatives, and have agreed to recommend that the House of Reps agree to the amendments, with an amendment to increase the Contingent Fund to One thousand dollars and the same is submitted to the House of Reps for that purpose -

A Message from the House of Repts by Mr Hilsen informing the Council that the House of Representatives have agreed to the Report of the Committee of conference to whom was referred the bill entitled "An act making appropriations for the years 1828 & 1829 and a part of the years 1826 & 1827" & send the same for concurrence -

On Motion of Mr Gazzly the Council agreed to the amendment made by the Com of Conference

And the Council adjourned to 10 O'clock tomorrow morning -

Wednesday October 31st 1827.

The Legislative Council met pursuant to adjournment

A Message from the Governor To the General Assembly of the Territory of Arkansa. Fellow Citizens I congratulate you on having reached the Term of your duties and occupations as Members of the Legislature, and indulge the belief that your labours will be followed by considerable benefit to this Territory and the full approbation of your Constituents. The several Memorials addressed by you to the President & to Congress shall be forwarded without delay. Let me add my cordial wishes for your happy meeting with the objects of affection you have left at your respective homes.

October 31st 1827. Geo. Izard

A Message from the Governor informing the Council that he has approved and signed the following Acts Passed by the General Assembly. viz. " An act Supplementary to an act regulating the collection of taxes on Military bounty Lands " An act to locate the Seat of Justice of Miller County "

"An act Supplementary to an act establishing the Office of Prosecuting Attorney"
"An act for the relief of Samuel S Hall"
"An act limiting the time that suits shall be brought for the recovery of land.
"An act Supplementary to the laws regulating the Militia"
"An act making appropriations for the years 1828 & 1829 and a part of the year 1826 & 1827"
"An act allowing Compensation to the Members of the present General Assembly & their Officers"
"An act Amendatory to an act entitled an act Supplementary to the several laws Concerning Slaves"
"Resolution authorizing the Treasurer of the Territory to furnish a stamp or check for the use of the Territory"
"Resolution for the relief of James Miles Sheriff of Clark County"
"A memorial to the President respecting the Memphis & Little Rock Road"

On Motion of Mr Hamilly Resolved that the President of the Legislative Council and the Speaker of the House of Representatives adjourn the two Houses of the Legislature this day."

A Message from the House of Reps by Mr Clark informing the Council that the House of Representatives have concurred in the Resolution from the Council requiring the two Houses of the General Assembly to be adjourned this day.

A Message from the Governor informing the Council that he has approved & signed the "Resolution authorizing the printing of 650 Copies of the acts of the Gen Assembly in Pamphlet form" also the Resolution authorizing the printing 650 Copies of the Journals of the General Assembly"

Mr Barfield being called to the Chair
Por. tem —

On motion of Mr Farrelly Ordered that the thanks of this House be presented to J. Potter Esq for the dignified manner in which he has performed the duties of President.

The President resumed the Chair and Mr Farrelly Resolved that this House do entertain the highest sense of the assiduity and strict attention of the Secretary, and that the President be requested to give him the high sense we entertain

A Message from the Senate by Mr Ringgold informing us that they have sent through Mr Bell before them and are now ready to Sine die.

And the Legislature having no further business before them adjourned Sine die.

Attest

Thos. M. Miller
Secretary

L. F. Miller Clerk
of the Legislature Council